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Tyler expects smoother vote on Election Day

Paper jams for the primary vote slowed results

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Paper jams made worse by high humidity are partially what delayed votes from quickly being counted in the August primary, Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler told county commissioners during their meeting Thursday morning.

"It was also due to the stock of paper that we were using and with all the (absentee ballot) votes that we received," she said.

Tyler said for the next election, local clerks will be asked to clean their tabulators more often on Election Day to avoid the paper jams. The tabulators were replaced in the county in 2017.

She said that 35,716 people voted in Berrien County, with most of them – 22,538 – voting by absentee ballot, with 13,178 voting in person. That means that almost 28 percent of the 128,143 registered voters in the county voted.

Tyler said that Benton Township was the last municipality to get its votes in at 6 a.m. the day after the election.

"The tabulators are a little bit sensitive to certain inks and when too much ink gets on the tabulator and it isn't cleaned enough, they will jam," she said. "And we also learned that a lot of the (absentee ballots), how they were folded, created jams. We will correct all those issues for November."

By comparison, she said that 19,737 county residents voted during the August primary of the most recent presidential election in 2016.

In 2018, she said that 30,047 people voted in the August primary, while 63,213 voted in the November general election. Tyler speculated that the open governor's race attracted people to vote.

She said she doesn't have a breakdown of how many people voted by absentee ballot in 2016 and 2018.

However, Tyler expects more than 60,000 people to vote this November, with the presidential race drawing big numbers of voters.

After the meeting, Tyler said she expects that the number of people who vote by absentee ballot will obviously climb, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Write-in deadline

Tyler said that the deadline for people to file to be a write-in candidate is 4 p.m. Oct. 23, and that people need to file with their local clerks – not with the county clerk.

In addition, Tyler said she would like to remind people that when they fill out absentee ballots, they need to be returned to the local clerks. She said that if they are sent to the county clerk, she will forward them to where they need to go. But it's best if they are sent to the correct clerk in the first place.

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Bill Stohler, cofounder of NOBO Michigan in Benton Harbor, talks about the GrowRay Lighting Technologies system that will be used in each of the grow rooms of the medical marijuana facility at 900 Alreco Road. Construction is expected to be done by the end of this week.

Major transformation

NOBO nearly ready to flip on grow lights at large marijuana center

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — Transforming a former aluminum smelting plant into a high-tech medical marijuana grow facility wasn't cheap, but will be worth it, said Bill Stohler, co-founder of NOBO Michigan.

"By the end of this year, we'll have invested $8 million in Benton Harbor," he said. "And that's not including human resources. That's just including infrastructure development."

Once production is up and running, he said the company is expected to pay $100,000 annually to Benton Harbor through the city income tax. He said that doesn't include property taxes NOBO will pay, or the city income tax employees will pay.

A tour through the facility at 900 Alreco Road on Wednesday showed a bright, clean building that looked much different than the shell that was standing when the company broke ground in July 2019. Stohler said that the new walls are insulated, even the interior walls, so that the temperature and humidity can be individually controlled within each of the six large grow rooms.

Electrician Sean Alderink, left, and electrical apprentice Seth Risher, both from CS Erickson in Grand Haven, work Wednesday on wiring in the clone room of NOBO Michigan in Benton Harbor. The facility is expected to start producing medical marijuana by the end of August.

He said that each room has its own air conditioning and heating systems. Hanging from the ceiling in the grow rooms are LED lights from GrowRay, a horticultural lighting company that NOBO Inc. in Colorado owns.

"We've spent the money on infrastructure now to ensure that we have the highest quality product and we can do it for the best price," he said. "... Everything in this building talks to a central point so it can be controlled by a central point."

Stohler said that municipal water will be further treated with a reverse osmosis water filtration system before it is used to water the plants.

Up to eight different fertilizer mixes can be injected into the irrigation system through the automated Rhythm Batch Series.

Construction will be completed within the next few days.

"We'll start growing plants as soon as we get our occupancy permit, which we're hoping will be next week or the following week," he said.

Jobs available

Stohler said that they will soon start hiring people to work in the facility. How many people they hire depends on how many marijuana plants they can grow.

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Steak 'n Shake property up for auction

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — The former Steak 'n Shake restaurant in Benton Township is on the auction block.

The building at 1917 Pipestone Road is among 15 former Steak 'n Shakes – including one of three in Michigan – up for sale by the Illinois-based restaurant group, known for its hamburgers and milkshakes.

According to a news release announcing the auction, Keen-Summit Capital Partners and NAI Global were hired to run the sale, with bids being accepted until Aug. 31. The auction will take place Sept. 3. Additional properties are expected to come available in another auction in September.

The starting bid for each property is $367,000. In addition to the Benton Township restaurant, Steak 'n Shake buildings in

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HP file photo

The Steak 'n Shake building has been vacant since April 2019.

Michigan plans dedicated road lanes for autonomous vehicles

By TOM KRISHER and DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — The state of Michigan and some private partners are taking steps toward building or assigning dedicated lanes for automated vehicles on a 40-mile stretch of highway between Detroit and Ann Arbor.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and other state officials announced the project Thursday afternoon near a former railroad station that Ford is renovating to house its autonomous vehicle operations in downtown Detroit. Ford is among nine autonomous vehicle and auto companies on an advisory board for the project.

"What may be the world's most sophisticated roadway will be built here in Michigan – to help increase the safety, efficiency, resilience and operations of roadways in the not-so-distant future," Whitmer said.

Organizers say the project will begin with a two-year study to figure out whether existing lanes or shoulders could be used or new lanes need to be built, and that it is the first of its kind in the U.S.

Eventually, autonomous buses and shuttles would run along the Interstate 94 corridor, linking the University of Michigan to Detroit Metropolitan Airport and the city's downtown.

Much of the project will be bankrolled by companies funded by Google parent

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Trump admits he's blocking postal cash to stop mail-in votes

By DEB RIECHMANN and ANTHONY IZAGUIRRE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump frankly acknowledged Thursday that he's starving the U.S. Postal Service of money in order to make it harder to process an expected surge of mail-in ballots, which he worries could cost him the election.

In an interview on Fox Business Network, Trump explicitly noted two funding provisions that Democrats are seeking in a relief package that has stalled on Capitol Hill. Without the additional money, he said, the Postal Service won't have the resources to handle a flood of ballots from voters who are seeking to avoid polling places during the coronavirus pandemic.

"If we don't make a deal, that means they don't get the money," Trump told host Maria Bartiromo. "That means they can't have universal mail-in voting; they just can't have it."

Trump's statements, including the false claim that Democrats are seeking universal mail-in voting, come as he is searching for a strategy to gain an advantage in his November matchup against Joe Biden. He's pairing the tough Postal Service stance in congressional negotiations with an increasingly robust mail-in -voting legal fight in states that could decide the election.

In Iowa, which Trump won handily in 2016 but is more competitive this year, his campaign joined a lawsuit Wednesday against two Democratic-leaning counties in an effort to invalidate tens of thousands of voters' absentee ballot applications. That followed legal maneuvers in battleground Pennsylvania, where the campaign hopes to force changes to how the state collects and counts mail-in ballots. And in Nevada, Trump is challenging a law sending ballots to all active voters.

His efforts could face limits. The U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday rebuffed Republicans who challenged an agreement in Rhode Island allowing residents to vote by mail through November's general election without getting signatures from two witnesses or a notary.

For Democrats, Trump's new remarks were a clear admission that the president is attempting to restrict voting rights.

Biden said it was "Pure Trump. He doesn't want an election."

Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold said it was " voter suppression to undermine the safest method to vote during a pandemic, and force Americans to risk their lives to vote."

Negotiations over a big new virus relief package have all but ended, with the White House and congressional leaders far apart on the size, scope and approach for shoring up households, reopening schools and launching a national strategy to contain the coronavirus.

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Michigan
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Daily 3
8-3-9
Daily 4
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Keno
04-16-17-18-19-21-26-32-35-37-42-43-48-53-54-56-57-61-69-70-77-78
Mega Millions jackpot
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Daily Four-Evening
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The Rock Hill School Board takes a vote during a meeting in Rock Hill, South Carolina, on Monday. Like school boards across the nation, Rock Hill's board has had to answer the simple question when do children return to school with no easy or guaranteed safe answer.

'Impossible': School boards are at heart of reopening debate

By JEFFREY COLLINS
Associated Press

Rock Hill School Board member Terry Hutchinson gets his temperature checked before a meeting on Monday.

ROCK HILL, S.C. — Helena Miller listened to teachers, terrified to reenter classrooms, and parents, exhausted from trying to make virtual learning work at home. She heard from school officials who spent hundreds of hours on thousands of details – buses, classrooms, football, arts, special education. She spent countless nights, eyes wide open, her mind wrestling over the safety and education of the 17,000 children she swore to protect.

She thought of her own kids, two in high school and one middle-schooler – the reasons she ran for Rock Hill's school board six years ago.

And she made the hardest decision of her life: a vote to reopen schools amid the coronavirus pandemic, splitting students into two groups that would each spend two days a week in classrooms, with virtual learning the other school days.

"We have an impossible decision to make. And we still have to make it," Miller said from a tiny box on Zoom at the board's July meeting.

This Board of Trustees in suburban South Carolina is like thousands of school boards nationwide, where members are tackling a simple but hefty question – do we return to school amid a pandemic? – with no right or even good answers, in the face of inconsistent testing and a near-constant increase in confirmed coronavirus cases.

Behind that question is pressure. Pressure from teachers and bus drivers and janitors, scared to return to work but in need of a paycheck. Pressure from parents and guardians, who need to return to their own jobs but fear for their children's safety. Pressure from a president who declares on Twitter "OPEN THE SCHOOLS!!!" but whose administration provides little tangible guidance for doing so.

In Rock Hill, everyone has an opinion. The district has more than 17,000 students, and that means about 17,000 proposals on how to go back to school, trustees say, only half-joking.

And in South Carolina, with some of the country's worst virus numbers, even state leaders can't agree. Gov. Henry McMaster contradicted his education superintendent and said schools must allow a five-days-a-week option for working parents. School boards were left to untangle the mess – Rock Hill called an emergency meeting and ultimately kept its staggered plan.

There's been plenty more to resolve: Should classes be delayed until after Labor Day? How do kids get to school with buses at half-capacity for social distancing? What about masks and protective equipment? Should students have drama or orchestra if there are no public performances? What will student athletes do in a place like Rock Hill, known for sending football stars Jadeveon Clowney and Stephon Gilmore to the NFL?

School boards represent democracy at its local core: the backbone of communities, a check on superintendents, and the most direct way to influence education policy. And Rock Hill's strategy was very democratic. The board officially listened to eight committees, some made up of dozens of parents and business or community leaders. Each member spent dozens of hours in emails and informal discussions with people in and around their city of about 75,000 people.

There were teachers to consider. Susan Fields told the board last month, in its first in-person meeting since the pandemic, that she has lupus and must protect herself: "I love my kids, and for 25 years I have always put my students first. This is very odd for me ... for once I am standing up as an educator."

Special education teacher Shannon Gonzalez reminded the board that it promised extra face shields and gloves for those like her who work with students with significant developmental delays.

"It is impossible to teach a class like mine without constant physical contact," Gonzalez said. "They need hand-over-hand assistance for most everything they do. And for the last eight years, it has been my hand over their hand. It has been my face level with theirs calming them as they come out of a seizure."

And there were parents. At a July meeting, Emily Bell thanked the board for their careful, thoughtful work and told them she wasn't sure what she would do with her daughter in elementary school.

"In the morning, I'm ready for virtual school," Bell said. "And in the afternoon, I'm ready for my child to be back in the classroom."

Nearly every issue hinged on policy in the school manual, which staffers and board members pored through for hours. Changes had to be passed: Widened circumstances allowing for virtual classes, the end of open-door hours for parents eating lunch with kids, permitting athletes to practice or play if they weren't physically in school that day.

The board didn't agree on everything, from big matters to small. Trustee Brent Faulkenberry initially didn't favor the plan for in-person class only two days a week. He wanted five, to help working parents, with online school available for anyone worried about safety.

"If families can't work, they can't provide for these kids," he said.

Board member Robin Owens told him he made good points, especially about her fear of young children left at home while parents work. The two-day-a-week plan, she said, "falls squarely in the middle, which means that it is probably not going to make anyone happy. Hopefully it will make some people satisfied."

Faulkenberry's five-day proposal lost 5-2. The board then unanimously agreed to the staggered schedule and delaying the first day of school to Sept. 8, the latest allowed by state law.

There was no shouting, no claims of fake science, no accusations that trustees didn't care for kids. At a time when such arguments erupt everywhere from talk shows to Facebook, from the White House to the corner store, this board prides itself on civil discourse.

"I am so thankful to serve on a board where professionalism is put on the forefront," said Miller, who moved to the United States from Sweden in 1997, became a U.S. citizen in 2006, and has set out since becoming board chairman in 2018 to create a deliberative body that disagrees amiably.

Trustees' ties are forged through regular meetings, trips for training, and school visits together. Even as they met through Zoom, Miller kept some in-person routine. Trustees stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance as video of a waving flag played. Miller plunked her gavel on a tiny wood box after votes and to end meetings.

Bald eagle shows air superiority, sends drone into lake

ESCANABA (AP) — A bald eagle launched an aerial assault on a drone operated by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy – known as EGLE – ripping off a propeller and sending the aircraft into Lake Michigan.

The attack happened July 21, when the drone was mapping shoreline erosion near Escanaba in Michigan's Upper Peninsula to document and help communities cope with high water levels, the department said in a statement.

Environmental quality analyst and drone pilot Hunter King said he had completed about seven minutes of the mapping flight when satellite reception became spotty.

King pressed a button to return the $950 drone to him and was viewing his video screen when the drone began to twirl.

"It was like a really bad roller coaster ride," said King, who looked up and saw the eagle flying away, apparently unhurt by its confrontation with technology.

Two birdwatchers who were nearby saw the bird attack something but told officials they didn't realize it was a drone.

The drone sent 27 warning notifications in the 3.5 seconds that it took to spiral to the water, including one noting that a propeller was missing. A search of the shoreline failed to find the drone. Data later revealed that it landed in 4 feet of water about 150 feet offshore.

EGLE's drone team is considering what it can do to reduce the possibility of a repeat attack, including possibly using "skins" or other designs on the aircraft to make them look less like seagulls, the agency said.

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Dimitri Agdanowski, 13, left, and brother Jonas Agdanowski, 16, stand outside Dimitridon Studios, a shop specializing in a wide variety of rocks, gemstones, jewelry and artwork.

South Haven's rock stars

How Jonas and Dimitri Agdanowski helped to turn a passion into a rock and gem store

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — Seven years ago, Jonas and Dimitri Agdanowski took up the hobby of rock collecting. Since that time their hobby has morphed into a family-run business specializing in fine minerals, polished stones, jewelry, gem trees, fossils – just about anything a rock collector would love to see.

Referred to on the store's website as "a rock'n place to be," Dimitridon Studios opened this year in South Haven, becoming the only downtown shop to specialize in rocks, fossils and carvings, along with a wide variety of decorative objects and jewelry containing gemstones and other items collected from the earth, such as fossils and wood.

"He was the one who got us going," said Keith Agdanowski, referring to his oldest son, Jones, who is 16, homeschooled and takes courses at Kalamazoo Valley Community College and the University of Michigan.

Both of the brothers are quite serious about rocks and minerals. When Jonas heads off to college full-time, he'd like to focus on hydrology and mineralogy, according to an article in Rock & Gem, a national magazine for gemstone collectors that included an article in April about the Agdanowski brothers.

The two teenagers first joined the Kalamazoo Geological & Mineral Society seven years ago after attending one of the club's shows. They then began traveling throughout Midwest, Southwest and Southeast regions of the United States with their parents, Keith and Donna, to search for crystals and rare stones.

The two brothers' interest in collecting earned them the rank of "Rockhounds" from the American Federation of Mineralogical Society's Future Rockhounds of America Badge Program. Dimitri, 13, also picked up a first-place award in 2018 for Best Overall Crystal in the U.S. Crystal Competition.

"I like to grow crystals," he said.

He also enjoys working at Dimitridon Studios.

"I spend three to four days a week here," said Dimitri, who is also home-schooled through a partnership with Gull Lake Public Schools. At the store, he grinds and polishes stones along with his brother, who also is learning how to use a faceting machine to practice the art of shaping crystals.

The brothers' rock-hunting trips with their family over the years not only helped them learn more about America's terrain, but it also led to large collections of rocks and crystals.

It was then that the brothers got an idea. With their collections taking up too much space in their home, they set up a booth at the Kalamazoo farmers market in 2016 and 2017. Buoyed by how well sales went there, they turned attention to The Crossroads Mall in Portage and rented a kiosk for two months in 2018.

"It was so boring," Dimitri recalled. "We made like $100."

Wondering what to do next, the brothers and their parents turned their attention to the South Haven farmers market in 2019, after they were unable to secure a booth at the Kalamazoo farmers market. Luckily, they got the last vacant booth and it proved to be a windfall.

"The first day we beat out everything we made at the Kalamazoo market," Dimitri said.

Soon people began to ask the boys if the family operated a storefront shop in South Haven.

The family pondered the thought and decided to take a plunge, opening a shop at 418 Phoenix St.

People who peruse the dozens of display cases and shelves will see some of the rocks the Agdanowskis have collected over the years. There also are other rocks from other sources, along with a variety of jewelry and art pieces from Michigan-based artists.

"There's only so much rocks you can get," Jonas joked, talking about he and his brothers' collections.

Coloma Township renews police union contract with wage review

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

COLOMA — Coloma Township police officers will get a wage review every three years as part of the new union contract approved by the township board Wednesday night.

Coloma Township Police Chief Wes Smigielski presented the renewed contract and said he wants to hold his officers accountable, while also giving them cost of living increases.

"I want to make sure the guys are doing all the work they should be doing," he said. "There were a couple of officers, I'll be honest with you, that aren't here anymore, that I don't feel were putting in the work and didn't deserve the raises the other guys were going to get. With the new guys we have on, I don't think that's going to be a problem."

The first two years of the contract includes 3 percent raises, and the third year will include the wage "re-opener."

Smigielski said he lays out tasks, goals and expectations for this officers on a regular basis, so it won't be hard to tell if the officers are meeting those.

"A citizen will call and say, this area of town is having activity, and I'll tell the guys they need to be visually out there doing things, and making the community better," he said.

At the start of that third year, Smigielski said he'd sit down with the township board, then the union to discuss performance.

"Hopefully they will be making lots of community contacts and making the community proud. Like they are right now," he said. "They're out there doing everything above and beyond what I expect them to and I hope that trend continues."

Another change to the contract is that it will now run from April to March to match the township's fiscal year. It used to go from October to September. Smigielski said officers won't seek back-pay for the contract retroactively starting in April of this year.

The only other change included adding language about Michigan as a right-to-work state.

In other business, Supervisor Ken Parrigin said discussions about the North Berrien Fire Rescue Department's new fire truck have been put off until next year's budget talks.

The three municipalities the department covers, Coloma Township, Coloma and Hagar Township, all had varying opinions on how they should pay for the truck – up front or in installments.

Also Wednesday, the township board approved buying a new phone system for the township hall, not to exceed the cost of $15,000.

Trustee Jim Fulton said the phones are about 20 years old, as old as the township hall, and they won't perform the transfer function anymore.

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BERRIEN COUNTY

Board OKs 9 new posts at BCHD

Move opposed by 4 commissioners

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Berrien County commissioners Thursday approved adding nine employees to the county health department to help in its efforts to contain the COVID-19 pandemic.

But it wasn't done without some controversy, and once the grant money funding the positions runs out, the county is under no obligation to keep the workers on.

BCHD Health Officer Nicki Britten said that the department has received $940,000 from the CARES Act for its COVID-19 efforts, which includes $653,000 to be used for the nine positions. Those positions include five contact tracers and three special health coordinators who will provide support to schools and businesses as they strive to put in place the best practices to keep the virus from spreading.

Commissioners further approved the health department using the free Sara Alert software and program to help keep track of the contact tracing more efficiently. Britten said it was developed by the Mitre Corp. and the Association of Public Health Laboratories and has been recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

But Commissioner Ezra Scott said that he is always leery when a third party has access to county data. In fact, he said that he's against contact tracing altogether.

Britten said that when they do the contact tracing, they find out who the infected person has had contact with and let the people know that they may have been infected. She said they don't give the people the name of the infected person. However, sometimes they can figure it out.

She said health departments have been doing contact tracing for decades to protect the public's health from reportable diseases, including for Lyme disease and food borne outbreaks.

"This is pretty routine stuff that public health has been doing for 50 plus years in this country," she said.

The problem with COVID-19 is the sheer number of cases needing to be tracked, which is why she said they need more contact tracers and a computer program to track the data.

"We need some sort of technological product that helps us streamline and make that information tracking more efficient," she said.

Britten said that the information is kept confidential and that the company is simply providing a place to store the data.

"If we can't let somebody know that they might be ill during their infectious period but before their symptoms start, they can't take the appropriate precautions to not infect the people in their life," she said. "We are doing this to protect the public's health. ... Nobody wants to get their loved ones sick."

Commissioner Michael Majerek said he supports contact tracing.

"I have parents that are in their 90s," he said. "I would like to know when somebody has had contact with me that I didn't know had it just so I stay away from my parents. ... This is another tool in our toolbox that we can use to stifle this epidemic and slow it down because we're not winning. But we can move forward."

Voting with Scott against using the computer program was Commissioner Jon Hinkelman.

Some of the commissioners said they oppose adding the nine employees as full-time workers. Instead, they said they wanted them hired as temporary or contract workers.

Voting against adding the nine employees were Scott, Hinkelman and Commissioners Don Meeks and Teri Freehling.

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State to notify 4.4M they can vote by mail

By DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — Michigan will mail postcards telling 4.4 million registered voters that they can vote from home in November's presidential election, and it will spend $2 million to reimburse local governments that provide pre-paid postage on absentee ballot return envelopes, Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson said Thursday.

She said the moves, which come amid the coronavirus pandemic, are needed to make sure voters and election workers can stay safe. She pointed to the record number of absentee ballots that were cast in last week's primary, which also had record turnout.

"To ensure similar success and safety in November, when turnout is expected to double or even triple, voters must know they have the right to vote from home and how to do so," Benson, a Democrat, said in a statement.

The mailing of postcards, which will cost about $1.4 million and go to roughly half of the state's nearly 7.8 registered voters, will occur between Aug. 20 and Sept. 20.

IN BRIEF

Berrien records another COVID-19 death

Berrien County has now had 67 people die from COVID-19 after another death was reported Thursday.

The latest death the county recorded was on Tuesday.

In addition Thursday, the county recorded 19 new COVID-19 cases and 17 new recoveries.

With deaths and recoveries, the county is at about 84 active cases, up from 83 on Wednesday and down from 94 last Thursday.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating 11 COVID-19 patients Thursday morning, down from 13 on Wednesday and the same as last Thursday.

Van Buren County added 17 new COVID-19 cases on Thursday, a large single-day total for a smaller county.

Cass County added four new cases Thursday. Neither county recorded any new deaths.

The Van Buren Cass District Health Department will update its number of recovered individuals today on its website, www.vbcassdhd.org/covid-19/.

Most power now restored after Monday storm

Indiana Michigan Power has restored power to about 98 percent of the rough 52,000 customers who lost service during Monday's storm.

I&M reported in a news release Thursday that it expects to restore power to all who lost service by 11 p.m. today. Power to most customers will be restored before then.

About 270 customers in the eastern Benton Township/western Bainbridge Township area were still without power on Thursday afternoon, according to the utility's outage map.

As of Thursday morning, about 1,450 customers remained without power in the rural parts of Benton Harbor. Many of those involved single customers in rural areas, according to I&M.

See the location and status of power outages using the outage map at IndianaMichiganPower.com/OutageMap.

THE GUIDE

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Delilah DeWylde performs Saturday night at Ghost Isle Brewery in New Buffalo.

Editor's note: In these uncertain times, events can change quickly. Be sure to check with each venue for the latest updates and possible cancellations.

TODAY

Makena Hartlin: 3 p.m., **Jason Paul:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

Chris Behre: 3:45-6:45 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Ed Skjordal: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Steve Michaels: 6-9 p.m., Lehman's Farmhouse, 204 N. Red Bud Trail, Buchanan; 362-4063 or www.lehmansfarmhouse.com

Toby Bresnahan: 7-10 p.m., Harbor Light Brewery, 516 Phoenix St., South Haven; 299-7760 or www.harborlightbrewing.com

SATURDAY

Joe Justice: 1-3:30 p.m., **Rebecca White Band:** 4-6:30 p.m., Round Barn Estate, 10983 Hills Road, Baroda; $5; 422-1617 or roundbarn.com

Keith Scott: 2-5 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Mike Struwin: 3 p.m., **Foster & Lewis:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

The Backsliders: 5-8 p.m. (outdoors), Sister Lakes Brewing Co., 92500 County Road 690, Dowagiac; 332-5135 or sisterlakesbrewing.com

Three Oaks Music in the Park series presents David Lahm with Steve and Mary E: 6:30 p.m., Dewey Cannon Park, downtown Three Oaks; www.harborarts.com/music-in-the-park

Delilah DeWylde: 7-10 p.m., Ghost Isle Brewery, 17684 U.S. Highway 12, New Buffalo; free; 469-9069 or www.ghostislebrewery.com

St. Joseph Movies in the Park presents "Toy Story 2": 8:30 p.m., John E. N. Howard Band Shell, Lake Boulevard and Port Street, St. Joseph (remain in your vehicle); free; sjcity.com

SUNDAY

St. Joseph Municipal Band (virtual concert): noon premiere, www.youtube.com/c/StJosephMunicipalBand; free; sjcity.com/band

Van Dyke Revue: 2-5 p.m., Round Barn Estate, 10983 Hills Road, Baroda; free; 422-1617 or roundbarn.com

Don Savoie: 2:30-5:30 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Brook Farm String Band: 4 p.m., Harbor Light Brewery, 516 Phoenix St., South Haven; 299-7760 or www.harborlightbrewing.com

Top Secret: 7-9 p.m., Weko Beach, 5239 Lake St., Bridgman; 465-3406 or www.bridgman.org

THURSDAY

Hartford Lions Club Concerts in the Park presents Exit 41: 7-8:30 p.m., Ely Park, North Maple Street, Hartford; free

AUG. 21

Mark Ficks: 3 p.m., **Gemini:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

Jimmy Fastiggi: 3:45-6:45 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Exit 41: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Leo Fron: 8-11 p.m., Casey's New Buffalo, 136 N. Whittaker St., New Buffalo; 469-6400 or www.caseysnewbuffalo.com

Whiskey Highway: 10 p.m., Front Street Pizza Pub, 510 N. Front St., Niles; 687-4992 or www.frontstreetpizzapub.com

AUG. 22

Brian Allison: 1-3:30 p.m., **CK & The Gray:** 4-6:30 p.m., Round Barn Estate, 10983 Hills Road, Baroda; $5; 422-1617 or roundbarn.com

Reception for Biennial Members' Show: 2-4 p.m., Buchanan Art Center, 117 W. Front St., Buchanan; free; 697-4005 or buchananartcenter.com

Drive-In Concert Series featuring Bryan Lubeck, Sypian Family Band and Dan Maxon: 3 p.m., Lake Michigan College Mendel Center parking lot, 2755 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor; $50-$60; 927-8700 or www.themendelcenter.com

Mike Struwin: 3 p.m., **Mike Talbot:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

Chris Burch: 5-8 p.m. (outdoors), Sister Lakes Brewing Co., 92500 County Road 690, Dowagiac; 332-5135 or sisterlakesbrewing.com

Dart Board Compromise: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Mark Ficks and the Significant Others: 6-10 p.m., RyeBelles Restaurant and Bar, 518 Broad St., St. Joseph; 281-0318 or www.ryebelles.com

Three Oaks Music in the Park Series presents Ben Benedict: 6:30 p.m., Dewey Cannon Park, downtown Three Oaks; www.harborarts.com/music-in-the-park

St. Joseph Movies in the Park presents "The Greatest Showman": 8:30 p.m., Kiwanis Park, Pearl Street near Langley Avenue, St. Joseph (remain in your vehicle); free; sjcity.com

AUG. 23

St. Joseph Municipal Band (virtual concert): noon premiere, www.youtube.com/c/StJosephMunicipalBand; free; sjcity.com/band

Don Field: 2-5 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

The Remedy: 2-5 p.m., Round Barn Estate, 10983 Hills Road, Baroda; free; 422-1617 or roundbarn.com

The Whateverly Brothers: 2:30-5:30 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Dan Geib: 4-6 p.m., Harbor Light Brewery, 516 Phoenix St., South Haven; 299-7760 or www.harborlightbrewing.com

AUG. 24

The Backsliders: 5-8 p.m., River Saint Joe, 15475 Walton Road, Buchanan; 409-8015 or www.riversaintjoe.com

AUG. 25

"The Office"-themed Trivia Night: 7:30-9:30 p.m., Silver Harbor Brewing Co., 721 Pleasant St., St. Joseph; free; 281-7100 or www.silverharborbrewing.com

AUG. 27

The Van Dyke Revue: 6-8 p.m., Riverfront Park, 34 Sycamore St., Niles; free

Harbor Country Singers singalong: 6:30 p.m., Three Oaks Arts & Entertainment Center, 14 Maple St., Three Oaks (outdoors); free; schoolofamericanmusic.com/hcs

Hartford Lions Club Concerts in the Park presents Blue Shoes Jazz: 7-8:30 p.m., Ely Park, North Maple Street, Hartford; free

AUG. 28

Mike Talbot: 3 p.m., **Linz & Cello:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

The Backsliders: 3:45-6:45 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Michael McIntosh: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Mark Ficks: 6-10 p.m., RyeBelles Restaurant and Bar, 518 Broad St., St. Joseph; 281-0318 or www.ryebelles.com

Delilah DeWylde: 7-10 p.m., Harbor Light Brewery, 516 Phoenix St., South Haven; 299-7760 or www.harborlightbrewing.com

AUG. 29

Record Store Day: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 3 Pillars Music, 198 Water St., Benton Harbor; Rumor, 216 E. Main St., Niles; Phoenix Records & Boutique, 330 Kalamazoo St., Suite 5, South Haven; recordstoreday.com

80/90: 3 p.m., **DaZed and ConfuZed:** 7 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's outside pool, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

Mark Ficks: 5-8 p.m., Sister Lakes Brewing Co., 92500 County Road 690, Dowagiac; 332-5135 or sisterlakesbrewing.com

The Backsliders: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Three Oaks Music in the Park Series presents Stealin the Farm: 6:30 p.m., Dewey Cannon Park, downtown Three Oaks; www.harborarts.com/music-in-the-park

The Acorn Anywhere presents Beggars Banquet (Rolling Stones tribute): 8 p.m., The Indiana Dunes; $50-$75; 756-3879 or www.acornlive.org

St. Joseph Movies in the Park presents "Hook" (1991): 8:30 p.m., Whirlpool Centennial Park, St. Joseph (remain in your vehicle); free; sjcity.com

AUG. 30

St. Joseph Municipal Band (virtual concert): noon premiere, www.youtube.com/c/StJosephMunicipalBand; free; sjcity.com/band

Robert Rolfe Feddersen: 2-5 p.m., Haymarket Taproom, 9301 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman; free; 266-5050 or www.haymarketbeer.com

Mark Ficks: 2-5 p.m., 12 Corners Vineyards, 1201 N. Benton Center Road, Benton Harbor; free; 927-1512 or www.12corners.com

Joy Zimmerman: 2-5 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Chris Behre: 2:30-5:30 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

SEPT. 3

Checkmark Sallie: 7-10 p.m., Wegners Lakeside Bar & Grill, 2628 Lake Shore Drive, Niles; free; 683-1558 or wegners-lakeside-bar-grill.business.site

SEPT. 4

Little River Band: 9 p.m., Four Winds Casino Resort's Silver Creek Event Center, 11111 Wilson Road, New Buffalo; $35-$55; 866-494-6371 or www.fourwindscasino.com

The Backsliders: 3:45-6:45 p.m., Dablon Vineyards, 111 W. Shawnee Road, Baroda; free; 422-2846 or www.dablon.com

Karoke with DJ Dale Owen: 6-9 p.m., Vineyard 2121 Winery & Tasting Room, 4110 Red Arrow Highway, Benton Harbor; free; 849-0109 or www.vineyard2121.com

Lexi Adams: 6-9 p.m., Plank's Tavern, 800 Whitwam Drive, St. Joseph; 408-9108 or www.harborshoresresort.com/the-inn/planks-tavern

Hairbanger's Ball ('80s hair bands tribute): 8 p.m., The Acorn Theater, 107 Generations Drive, Three Oaks; $35-$60; 756-3879 or www.acornlive.org

SEPT. 5

Terrestrial Peasants: 5-8 p.m., Sister Lakes Brewing Co., 92500 County Road 690, Dowagiac; 332-5135 or sisterlakesbrewing.com

ART EXHIBITS

"Dex R. Jones: Storied Portraits" and **Works by sculptor Barbara Cooper:** through Aug. 31, **"2020 Middle and High School Community Student Art Exhibition":** through Aug. 31 (virtual exhibit: communitystudentartexhibition.smugmug.com), **"Human Interest: Four Figurative Sculptures" (outdoors):** through Oct. 17, Krasl Art Center, 707 Lake Blvd., St. Joseph; free; 983-0271 or www.krasl.org

"Series 3 Art Exhibition" featuring Biff Vigil, Jeanne Fields, David Criner and Anthony "Scooter" DiMaggio (virtual exhibit): through Sept. 6, Box Factory for the Arts, 1101 Broad St., St. Joseph; free; 983-3688 or boxfactoryforthearts.org

Biennial Members' Show: through Sept. 19 (virtual and physical exhibit), Buchanan Art Center, 117 W. Front St., Buchanan; free; 697-4005 or buchananartcenter.com

"Nineteen: Suffrage in Southwest Michigan": through Sept. 20, History Center at Courthouse Square, 313 N. Cass St., Berrien Springs; free; 471-1202 or www.berrienhistory.org

"Rightfully Hers": Tuesday through Sept. 25; North Berrien Historical Museum, 300 Coloma Ave., Coloma; free; 468-3330 or www.northberrienhistory.org

"The Keepers of the Fire: The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi": through summer 2021; The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, 601 Main St., St. Joseph; free; 983-1191 or www.theheritagemcc.org

FILM

Virtual screenings: "Gordon Lightfoot: If You Could Read My Mind": $9.99 for 3-day rental, **"Out Stealing Horses":** $12 for 3 days, **"Rebuilding Paradise":** $12 for 3 days, **"The Cuban":** $12 for 3 days, **"The Fight":** $12, **"The Tobacconist":** $12 for 5 days, **"John Lewis: Good Trouble":** $12; Vickers Theatre, 6 N. Elm St., Three Oaks; 756-3522 or vickerstheatre.com

Submissions for The Guide should include day, time, location with address, admission cost and contact information. Email information to focus@TheHP.com. For questions, additions or subtractions, email Features Editor Andy Steinke at asteinke@TheHP.com.

IN BRIEF

Singalong set for Aug. 27 in Three Oaks

THREE OAKS — Harbor Country Singers will sponsor its third outdoor summer singalong at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 27 at the Three Oaks Arts & Education Center, 14 Maple St. Everyone is invited to join in.

The singalong will feature folk songs by Pete Seeger; Woody Guthrie; Peter, Paul and Mary; Bob Dylan; Joni Mitchell, and more.

School of American Music's Donna Mitchell and HCS Producer Pat Putnam will lead the singing.

Guitar instructor Ron Spears will provide accompaniment. Other guitarists are invited to bring their instruments and play along.

Michigan COVID-19 rules allow outdoor gatherings of up to 100 people, provided social distancing is maintained. Sanitized seating will be available, or attendees can bring their own lawn chairs. Face shields will be available on request.

Sheet music and lyrics will be provided, though the ability to read music is not required to participate.

The rain date is Sept. 8 at the same time.

Heritage Museum exhibit opens today

ST. JOSEPH — The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, 601 Main St., will open its new exhibit, "The Keepers of the Fire: The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi," tonight.

The exhibit celebrates the indigenous heritage of Southwest Michigan. The museum has worked closely with the Dowagiac-based Pokagon Band, along with other museums in the area, to present the exhibit.

Tonight's free open house tour runs from 4-7 p.m. Scheduled appointments are recommended, but on-site registration will be available.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the museum is following all current guidelines and regulations for museums, including limiting the number of people in the building, maintaining social distancing, and requiring that people wear face masks inside the building.

The welcome reception will be held outside in the garden. Light refreshments will be served while groups of up to eight visitors at a time will be guided through the exhibit.

Museum to feature 'Rightfully Hers'

COLOMA — Starting Tuesday, North Berrien Historical Museum, 300 Coloma Ave., will host a new pop-up exhibit from the National Archives.

"Rightfully Hers" commemorates the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment's ratification. The exhibit contains simple messages exploring the history of the ratification, women's voting rights before and after the ratification, and its impact today.

The exhibit will run through Sept. 25. It can be viewed from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays. Admission is free.

For more information, call 468-3330.

Muni Band to feature small ensembles

ST. JOSEPH — The St. Joseph Municipal Band will feature small ensembles on this week's virtual concert, which premieres at noon Sunday on the band's YouTube page.

The ensembles will include: a saxophone quartet playing "Irish Suite"; a French horn quintet performing "Over the Rainbow," arranged by member Cheryl Schadler; a clarinet trio playing "Allegro" by Wolfgang Mozart and "Allegro" by Joseph Haydn; and a trombone ensemble performing "Georgia on My Mind" and "Penny Lane."

The concert also will include "The Southerner March" by Russell Alexander, and guest vocalist Madeline Shrock joining the band for "I Could Have Danced All Night."

The weekly video productions replace the band's 2020 concert season as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. They are coordinated by Director Donald Moely, and will continue through Labor Day.

For more information, and links to past virtual concerts, visit sjcity.com/band.

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SCOREBOARD

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	12	6	.667	—
Tampa Bay	12	8	.600	1
Baltimore	10	7	.588	1½
Toronto	6	9	.400	4½
Boston	6	13	.316	6½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	12	7	.632	—
Detroit	9	7	.563	1½
Chicago	10	9	.526	2
Cleveland	10	9	.526	2
Kansas City	8	11	.421	4

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	13	6	.684	—
Texas	8	9	.471	4
Houston	8	10	.444	4½
Los Angeles	7	12	.368	6
Seattle	7	13	.350	6½

Wednesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 7, Detroit 5
Oakland 8, L.A. Angels 4
Chicago Cubs 7, Cleveland 2
Minnesota 12, Milwaukee 2
Kansas City 5, Cincinnati 4
Tampa Bay 9, Boston 5
Baltimore 5, Philadelphia 4
Houston 5, San Francisco 1
N.Y. Yankees 6, Atlanta 3
Miami 14, Toronto 11, 10 innings
Texas 7, Seattle 4

Thursday's Games

Baltimore 11, Philadelphia 4
Tampa Bay 17, Boston 8
St. Louis at Detroit, doubleheader, ppd.

Friday's Games

Baltimore (Milone 1-1) at Washington (Strasburg 0-0), 5:05 p.m., 1st game
Tampa Bay (TBD) at Toronto (Roark 1-1), 6:37 p.m.
Boston (TBD) at N.Y. Yankees (Cole 3-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Civale 1-2) at Detroit (Nova 1-0), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Baltimore (Wojciechowski 0-2), 7:35 p.m., 2nd game
Kansas City (Junis 0-0) at Minnesota (Odorizzi 0-0), 8:10 p.m.
Texas (Lynn 2-0) at Colorado (Castellani 0-0), 8:40 p.m.
Seattle (Kikuchi 0-1) at Houston (Valdez 0-2), 9:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 1-1) at L.A. Angels (Sandoval 0-1), 9:40 p.m.
Oakland (Montas 2-1) at San Francisco (Cueto 1-0), 9:45 p.m.

Saturday's Games

St. Louis at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m., 1st game
St. Louis at Chicago White Sox, 5:30 p.m., 2nd game
Cleveland at Detroit, 6:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 6:37 p.m.
Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 7:07 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 7:07 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
Seattle at Houston, 7:10 p.m.
Washington at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Texas at Colorado, 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 9:40 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	8	4	.667	—
Atlanta	11	9	.550	1
New York	9	11	.450	3
Washington	6	9	.400	3½
Philadelphia	5	9	.357	4

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	13	3	.813	—
St. Louis	2	3	.400	5½
Cincinnati	8	11	.421	6½
Milwaukee	7	10	.412	6½
Pittsburgh	4	13	.235	9½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	12	6	.667	—
Los Angeles	12	7	.632	½
San Diego	11	8	.579	1½
Arizona	8	11	.421	4½
San Francisco	8	12	.400	5

Wednesday's Games

Arizona 13, Colorado 7
Chicago Cubs 7, Cleveland 2
Minnesota 12, Milwaukee 2
Kansas City 5, Cincinnati 4
N.Y. Mets 11, Washington 6
Baltimore 5, Philadelphia 4
Houston 5, San Francisco 1
N.Y. Yankees 6, Atlanta 3
Miami 14, Toronto 11, 10 innings
L.A. Dodgers 6, San Diego 0
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, ppd.

Thursday's Games

N.Y. Mets 8, Washington 2
Baltimore 11, Philadelphia 4
Pittsburgh 9, Cincinnati 6
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 2
St. Louis at Detroit, doubleheader, ppd.
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers

Friday's Games

Baltimore (Milone 1-1) at Washington (Strasburg 0-0), 5:05 p.m., 1st game
N.Y. Mets (deGrom 2-0) at Philadelphia (Velasquez 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Wright 0-2) at Miami (López 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Kuhl 0-0) at Cincinnati (Gray 3-1), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Baltimore (Wojciechowski 0-2), 7:35 p.m., 2nd game
Milwaukee (Woodruff 1-1) at Chicago Cubs (Chatwood 2-1), 8:15 p.m.
Texas (Lynn 2-0) at Colorado (Castellani 0-0), 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 1-1) at L.A. Angels (Sandoval 0-1), 9:40 p.m.
San Diego (Lamet 2-0) at Arizona (Kelly 2-1), 9:40 p.m.
Oakland (Montas 2-1) at San Francisco (Cueto 1-0), 9:45 p.m.

Saturday's Games

St. Louis at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m., 1st game
St. Louis at Chicago White Sox, 5:30 p.m., 2nd game
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 7:07 p.m.
Washington at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
San Diego at Arizona, 8:10 p.m.
Texas at Colorado, 8:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs, 8:15 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 9:40 p.m.

CHICAGO CUBS 4, MILWAUKEE 2

Milwaukee	ab	r	h	bi	Chicago	ab	r	h	bi
Sogard 2b	4	0	0	0	Hoerner 2b	3	1	1	0
Hiura dh	4	0	0	0	Rizzo 1b	3	0	0	0
Yelich lf	3	0	0	0	Báez ss	4	0	0	1
García cf	4	1	1	0	Contreras dh	2	1	0	0
Smoak 1b	4	1	2	2	Schwarber lf	4	1	1	1
Narváez c	4	0	0	0	Almora Jr. cf	0	0	0	0
Gamel rf	2	0	0	0	Happ cf-lf	3	1	2	1
Arcia ss	2	0	1	0	Bote 3b	4	0	1	1
Holt 3b	3	0	0	0	Souza Jr. rf	2	0	1	0
					Heyward ph-rf	1	0	0	0
					Caratini c	3	0	1	0
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Chicago	110	002	00x	—	4

DP—Milwaukee 2, Chicago 1. LOB—Milwaukee 4, Chicago 7. 2B—Smoak (4), Hoerner (2), Happ (4). HR—Smoak (2), Schwarber (3). SB—Yelich (1).

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Milwaukee						
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Burnes	3 2/3	2	2	2	3	5
Chicago						
Darvish W,3-1	7	1	1	1	2	11
Sadler H,3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Wick S,3-3	1	2	1	1	0	0

HBP—Darvish (Yelich), Anderson (Contreras).
Umpires—Home, Jeremie Rehak; First, Ed Hickox; Second, Jerry Meals; Third, Jordan Baker.
T—3:06.

Purdue football coach floats 2-season 2021 plan

By MICHAEL MAROT
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Purdue coach Jeff Brohm believes football can be played safely this spring and again next fall if university presidents and medical teams agree.

On Thursday, two days after the Big Ten postponed fall sports, Brohm released a detailed, seven-page proposal that calls for an eight-game season in the spring and a 10-game season next fall, a reduction in padded practices and a months-long break from the sport between seasons.

"I always thought we (the conference) should have had a backup spring plan ready. I was frustrated they didn't," he told The Associated Press during a telephone interview. "There are going to be some people that maybe don't agree with it. But at the same time, if we really play want to play football then let's make this season work."

At least it's a conversation-starter as one of the bleakest weeks in college football history comes to an end. Leagues including the Big Ten, Pac-12 and others have called off fall football even as the ACC, Big 12 and SEC push ahead amid uncertainty and concern.

Brohm used the anger and frustration about the Big Ten's announcement to motivate him to come up with a solution. He finished the document Thursday morning.

The plan calls for teams to report Jan. 16 for a two-week training camp before progressing to four weeks of practice, with two mandatory off days each week and only two padded practices each week. Eight conference-only games would be played from Feb. 27-April 17, with no bye weeks, before a four- or six-team playoff in May.

Most players would then get a three-month respite from mandatory workouts before pre-camp work begins July 19. Teams would then play a 10-game season from Oct. 2-Dec. 11, with one bye week per team and one padded practice per week. A playoff would be held the first two weeks of January.

Critics might contend college players should not be playing up to 22 games over an 11-month period. Big Ten officials did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment about the plan.

"Can you have spring football and recover enough from a neurological and muscular, skeletal, point of view to then proceed with a full fall season?" NCAA chief medical officer Brian Hainline asked. "Those are active discussions happening right now."

Brohm's answer: NFL teams play up to 25 games over a five-month period and college football's playoff teams were averaging as many as 1.875 games per month before the COVID-19 pandemic. Plus, Brohm believes, a spring season would give medical teams more time to collect information about vaccines and treatments and potentially avoid the ugly look of empty stadiums.

One potentially significant problem if the ACC, Big 12 and SEC do play this fall – separate playoff formats and split champions. Of course, medical complications could change everything yet again in which case Brohm would welcome those schools to the table.

OT letdown

Jason Franson / The Canadian Press

The Vegas Golden Knights' William Karlsson (71) is stopped by Chicago Blackhawks goalie Corey Crawford (50) during the second period of Thursday's game.

Blackhawks fall behind 2-0 in playoff series in Edmonton

Golden Knights 4, Blackhawks 3

EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — Even though Reilly Smith called it a lucky bounce, a whole lot more than luck is working right now for the Vegas Golden Knights.

Smith scored in overtime, Robin Lehner made 22 saves and the Golden Knights beat the Chicago Blackhawks 4-3 on Thursday to take a 2-0 lead in the first-round series. Vegas has won all five of its games since the NHL resumed.

"We're a pretty resilient group," said Smith, who has three goals in the series. "We need to bring that for all 60 minutes. ... There's still a lot of things we need to clean up, but we'll take the win and try to get a little bit better tomorrow."

Blackhawks goaltender Corey Crawford stopped 35 of the 39 shots he faced, including 16 in the third period alone.

The Western Conference top-seeded Golden Knights are looking for their first playoff series victory since 2018. They reached the Stanley Cup Final that year, then lost to San Jose in seven games in the first round last year.

This was the third game already in the first round to go to overtime. Tampa Bay beat Columbus in the fifth overtime Tuesday, and Boston beat Carolina in double OT Wednesday. Smith's goal came 7:13 into the first OT.

"He's come back from the pause and has got a lot of confidence, a lot of energy, he's healthy," coach Peter DeBoer said about Smith. "He's really driving a lot of plays for us and important plays."

The Golden Knights were without regular-season leading scorer Max Pacioretty, who only joined them in the Edmonton bubble last week. Game 3 is Saturday.

DeBoer didn't have an update on Pacioretty or goal-scorer Tomas Nosek, who took his last shift late in the second period and didn't return.

Paul Stastny opened the scoring for Vegas 10:44 in after strong work down low by Smith and Jonathan Marchessault, and Nosek made it 2-0 at the 15:35 mark of the first period. It was Stastny's first goal since hockey returned.

"He steps up every night," Smith said of Stastny. "He does everything, so it's nice to see him get rewarded."

Chicago got goals from rookies Kirby Dach and Dominik Kubalik in the second to tie it. Mark Stone restored the lead for Vegas with 2:40 left in the period, then Dylan Strome got it right back for the Blackhawks 13.6 seconds before intermission.

"I think we played a better team game today," said Strome, who hit the crossbar early in overtime. "We did a good job of holding their forwards up coming into the zone and giving our D a little more time. We've got to continue to do that and be ready for next game."

Patrick Kane assisted on all three Chicago goals in the second period.

"I thought Chicago played really well," said Lehner, who signed with the Blackhawks last summer and was traded to Vegas at the deadline. "Everyone keeps saying they're underdogs, but you look at their team, the experience, the skill – it's Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane out there. It's a lot of skill and they're world-class players, so when they get opportunities, it's hard."

Darvish dominant as Cubs beat Brewers

CHICAGO (AP) — Yu Darvish took a no-hitter into the seventh inning in his third straight dominant start, and the major league-leading Chicago Cubs defeated the Milwaukee Brewers 4-2 on Thursday night.

Cubs 4, Brewers 2

Darvish allowed just one hit — Justin Smoak's towering solo homer to right field with one out in the seventh inning on his 98th pitch — before being relieved by Casey Sadler to start the eighth. The 33-year-old right-hander from Japan struck out 11 and threw 104 pitches.

Before Smoak's drive, Darvish allowed only three baserunners. He walked Ben Gamel in the second and Orlando Arcia in the fifth, and hit Christian Yelich with a low pitch in the first.

Kyle Schwarber hit a solo homer in the second as Chicago improved to 13-3 for the first time since 1907. Javier Baez, Ian Happ and David Bote each had an RBI.

Darvish signed a $126 million, six-year contract with the Cubs as a free agent in February 2018, but has been hampered by elbow and triceps injuries since coming to Chicago. But after a rocky first outing this season, against the Brewers on July 25, Darvish has been in a groove.

He's trimmed his ERA to 1.88 and has fanned 27 in 24 innings.

Sadler worked around a single by Arcia in a scoreless eighth. Rowan Wick allowed a single by Avisail Garcia and a ground-rule double to Smoak with two outs in the ninth for Milwaukee's second run, but closed it out for his third save and a combined four-hitter.

Darvish has twice come within one out of a no-hitter, both times with the Texas Rangers.

Cubs slugger Kris Bryant was held out of the starting lineup with a sore left wrist and ring finger.

Bryant was injured trying to make a diving catch in left field Wednesday in the fifth inning of the Cubs' 7-2 win at Cleveland. He remained in the game and hit a home run in the sixth before being pulled in the eighth

With Bryant out, Schwarber started in left field and Bote at third base.

The Cubs jumped ahead 1-0 in the first. Nico Hoerner laced Brett Anderson's first pitch for a double and scored on Baez's groundout.

Schwarber led off the second with an opposite-field shot to left to make it 2-0.

Chicago tacked on two more runs in the sixth off reliever Corbin Burnes.

Happ drove in the first with a double and Bote followed with an RBI single.

Top prospects still absent, but Tigers are competitive

By NOAH TRISTER
AP Baseball Writer

DETROIT — Ron Gardenhire's Detroit Tigers sensed an opportunity this season – and these last few weeks have shown why.

Detroit is 9-7 and in second place in the AL Central, 1 ½ games out of first. It may not sound like much, but the Tigers are now more than a quarter of the way through their schedule. They've been competitive even without promoting any of their top pitching prospects. It's an example of just how quickly a team can turn into a postseason contender in this shortened season with expanded playoffs.

"We've got some confidence in our dugout," said Gardenhire, Detroit's manager. "We've got some guys that have been there and done it, along with some kids. It's fun. It's a good atmosphere in the clubhouse, and so far we're doing OK."

Before the season started, one of the big questions for the Tigers was how much Casey Mize, Matt Manning and Tarik Skubal might contribute in 2020. Those pitching prospects gave Detroit hope after the Tigers dropped 114 games last year. None of them has pitched above Double-A, however.

They're all in Detroit's player pool, but the Tigers haven't called any of them up to the major leagues yet. Instead, it's been a revamped offense that has led Detroit to a winning record so far.

The Tigers finished last in the major leagues in runs and last in the American League in home runs a season ago. This year, they were 10th in the majors in OPS as of Thursday afternoon. They were tied for eighth in homers despite having a break in their schedule recently when a series against St. Louis was called off.

"We like what we have. We have to stay healthy," Gardenhire said. "We liked them in spring training, and they're coming out and putting some nice swings out there. We can be a bashing team."

Staying healthy has already been a challenge. C.J. Cron recently went on the injured list with a sprained knee after hitting four homers in his first 42 at-bats. But fellow newcomer Jonathan Schoop also has four, and so does Miguel Cabrera after hitting only a dozen all of last season.

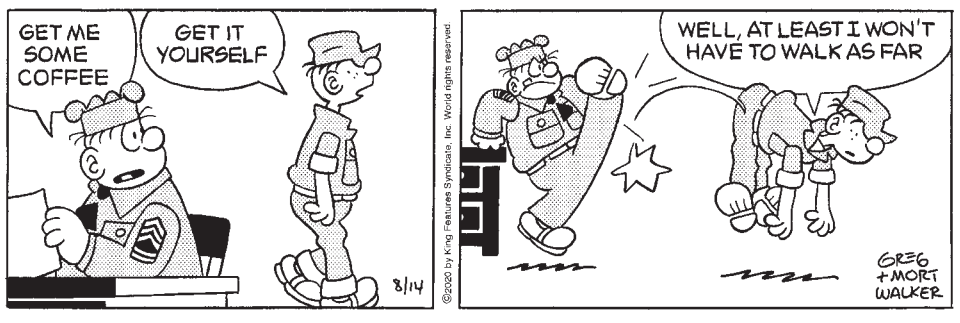
Then there's JaCoby Jones, an athletic outfielder who hit just .235 last year. He's batting .304 with five home runs and 12 RBIs in 2020.

Jones credits a stance adjustment last season with helping him build confidence that has carried over to this year.

"I would literally try anything. If they told me to hit with my feet, I would have tried to do that at that point. I was trying anything they brought to me," he said. "It's paid off so far."

Detroit's offensive uptick has helped mask some problems with the pitching staff. Opening day starter Matthew Boyd has an ERA of 10.24, and Ivan Nova hasn't been great either. Spencer Turnbull has been sharper in his three starts, and reliever Gregory Soto has emerged as a potential force, allowing two hits in 10 scoreless innings while striking out 14.

BEETLE BAILEY



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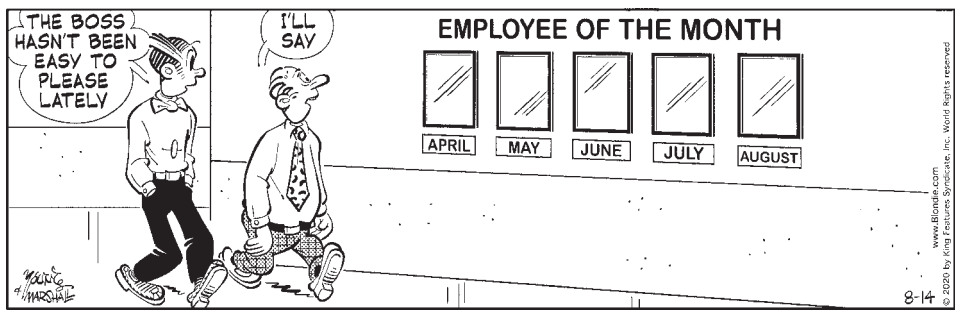

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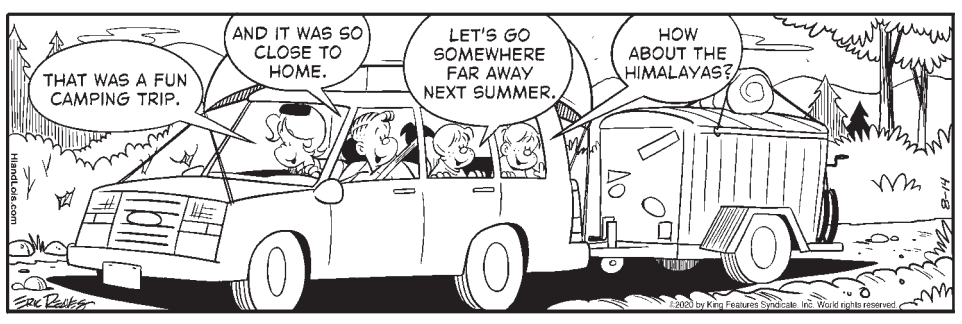

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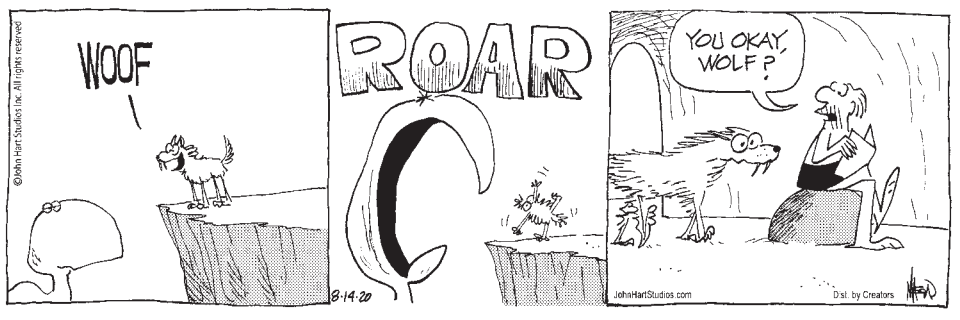

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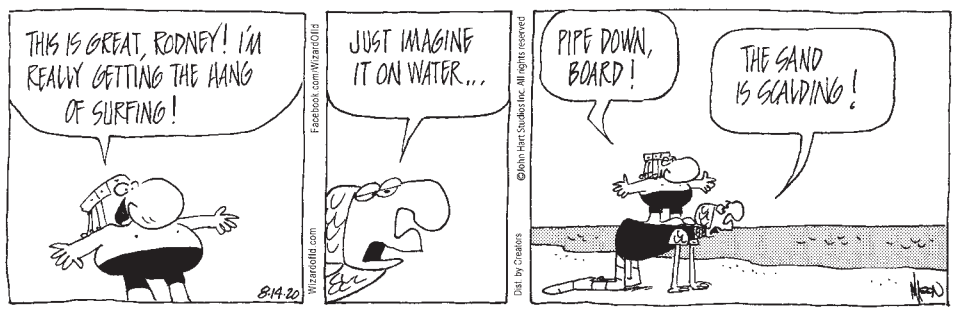
THIS IS GREAT, RODNEY! I'M REALLY GETTING THE HANG OF SURFING!
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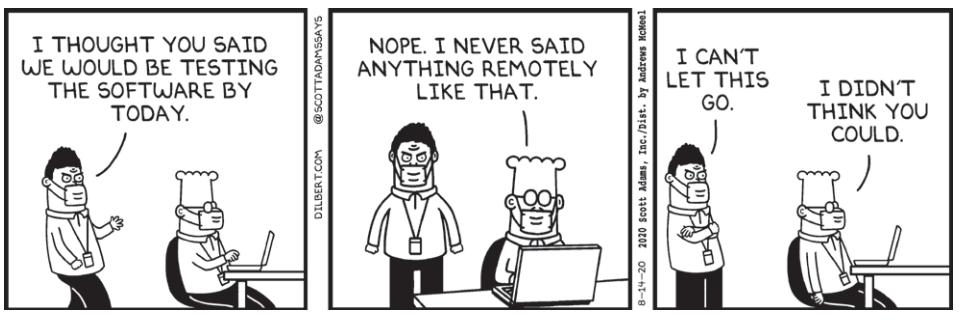
JUST IMAGINE IT ON WATER...
PIPE DOWN, BOARD!
THE SAND IS SCALDING!

DILBERT


I THOUGHT YOU SAID WE WOULD BE TESTING THE SOFTWARE BY TODAY.
NOPE. I NEVER SAID ANYTHING REMOTELY LIKE THAT.
I CAN'T LET THIS GO.
I DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD.

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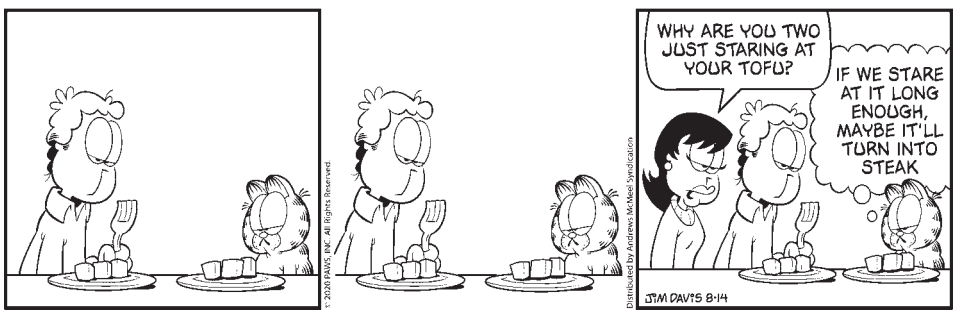

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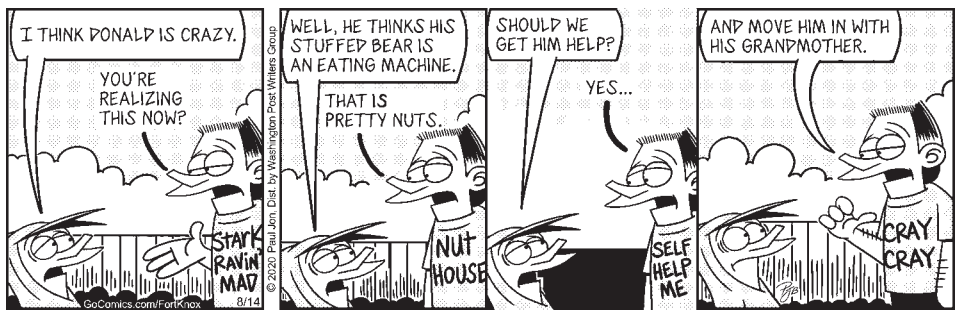

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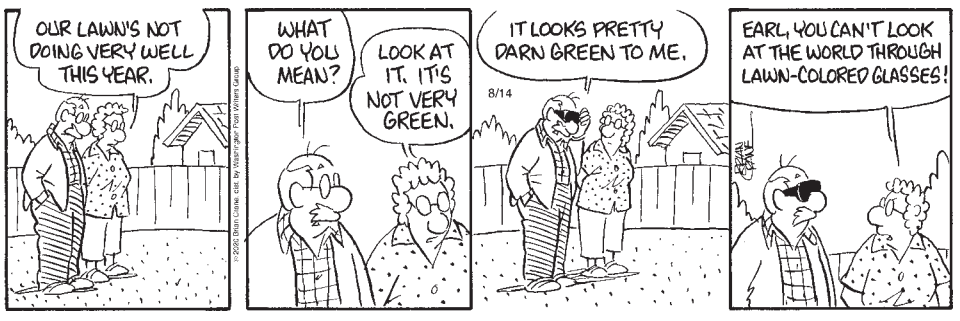
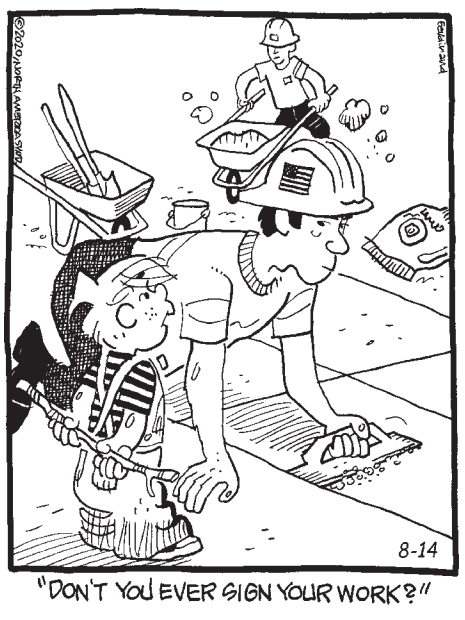

OUR LAWN'S NOT DOING VERY WELL THIS YEAR.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
LOOK AT IT. IT'S NOT VERY GREEN.
IT LOOKS PRETTY DARN GREEN TO ME.
8/14
EARL, YOU CAN'T LOOK AT THE WORLD THROUGH LAWN-COLORED GLASSES!

FAMILY CIRCUS

DENNIS THE MENACE



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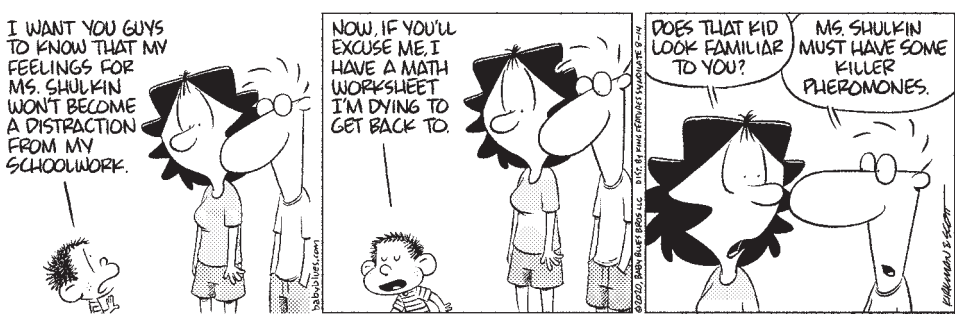
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NOW, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, I HAVE A MATH WORKSHEET I'M DYING TO GET BACK TO.
DOES THAT KID LOOK FAMILIAR TO YOU?
MS. SHULKIN MUST HAVE SOME KILLER PHEROMONES.

CURTIS

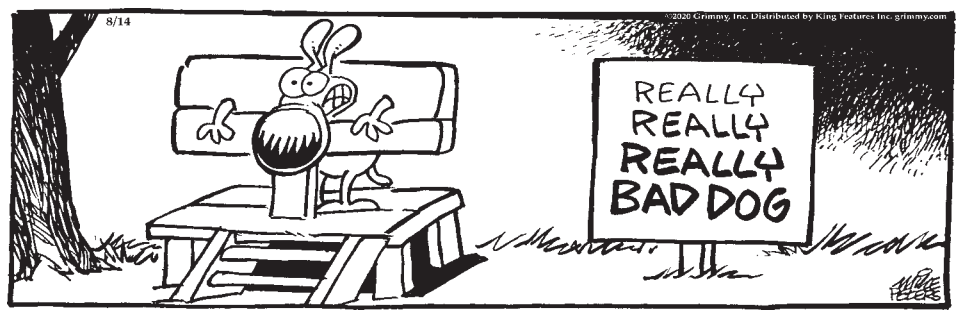
I THINK SOMETHING'S HAPPENIN' TO ME!
I USETA REALLY LIKE RAP! I MEAN REALLY REALLY REALLY LIKE RAP!...BUT NOW... I ONLY "LIKE" IT!
8-14
MAYBE YOUR TASTES AND MINDSET ARE CHANGING, CURTIS! MAYBE, IN A WAY, YOU'RE GROWING UP!
WHAT A HORRIBLE THING T' SAY!!
MAAAAAA
SIGH

ZITS

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

WE NEED TO CHOOSE A PAINT COLOR FOR THE BEDROOM.
YEAH YEAH
8-14
I NARROWED THEM DOWN TO CHOCOLATE BROWN... RARE STEAK PINK... AMBER ALE...
YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO GET DADDY'S ATTENTION!
BROWNE
YES, YES, GO ON!!

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM



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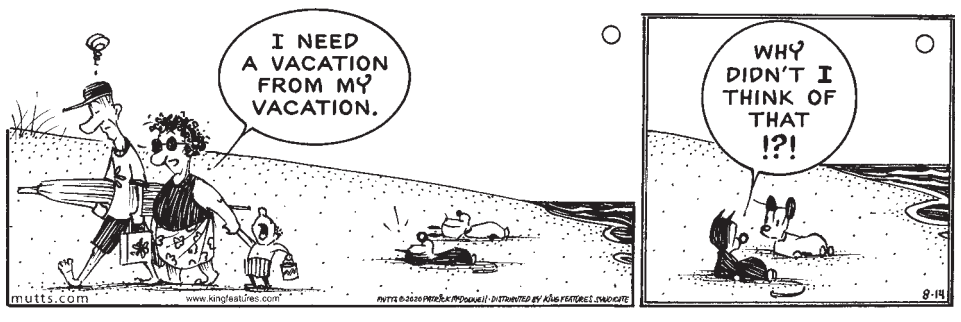

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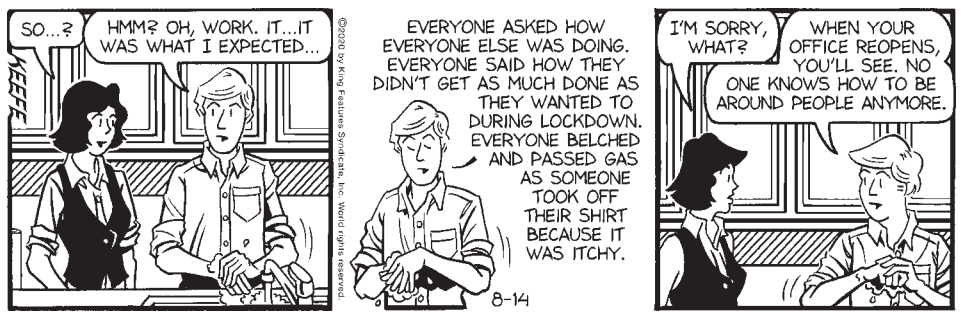
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HMM? OH, WORK. IT...IT WAS WHAT I EXPECTED...
KEEFE
EVERYONE ASKED HOW EVERYONE ELSE WAS DOING. EVERYONE SAID HOW THEY DIDN'T GET AS MUCH DONE AS THEY WANTED TO DURING LOCKDOWN. EVERYONE BELCHED AND PASSED GAS AS SOMEONE TOOK OFF THEIR SHIRT BECAUSE IT WAS ITCHY.
8-14
I'M SORRY, WHAT?
WHEN YOUR OFFICE REOPENS, YOU'LL SEE. NO ONE KNOWS HOW TO BE AROUND PEOPLE ANYMORE.

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BET	Only for	Tyler Perry's Temptation: Confessions of a Marriage Counselor					
Big Ten	B1G	Ohio State		Ohio State		Ohio State	
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Cartoon	We Bare	Burgers	American	American	American	Rick	Rick
Cinemax	6:05 Killerman	★★★ Crimson Peak ('15, Horror) Mia Wasikowska, Jessica Chastain. CC				★★ Ma ('19) Octavia Spencer.	
CMT	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
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Discovery	Abandoned	Alien Sharks: First Contact (N) CC		Lair of the Great White (N) CC		Tiger Shark King (N) CC	
Disney	Sydney	Sydney	Coop	Bunk'd	Raven	Bunk'd	Gabby
DIY	Beach	Lakefront		Lakefront		Beachfrnt Reno	
E!	What to Expect	★★ How to Be Single ('16) Dakota Johnson.					
ESPN	6:30 NBA Basketball			NBA Basketball			
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Fox Sports	:00 MLB Baseball Cleveland Indians at Detroit Tigers.					Tigers Lv.	Tigers Lv.
Freefrm	:00 ★★★ The Emperor's New Groove ('00) (P). CC			★★★ Bolt ('08, Children's) Voices of John Travolta, Miley Cyrus. CC			
FX	Pitch Perfect 2	★★ Pitch Perfect 3 ('17) Anna Kendrick, Hailee Steinfeld, Rebel Wilson. CC				★★★ Girls Trip ('17) Regina Hall.	
Golf	Golf U.S. Amateur Champion			PGA Korn Ferry Tour			
Hallmark	Love to the	The Nine Lives of Christmas ('14) Brandon Routh, Kimberly Sustad. CC				Golden Girls	Golden Girls
HBO	:35 ★★★ Walk the Line ('05, Biography) Joaquin Phoenix, Reese Witherspoon. CC					Real Time With Bill Maher (N) CC	
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Lifetime	King of Queens	★★ Madea's Witness Protection ('12) Tyler Perry. Madea uses tough love on a Wall Street banker and his family. CC					
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
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NFL	NFL Total	Super Bowl Classics From Feb. 2, 2020. CC					
Nick	To Be Announced			Danger	Unfiltered	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Africa	Africa's Deadliest		Savage Kingdom		:03 Savage Kingdom	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) CC		The Disappearance of Susan Cox Powell A young mother's disappearance. CC			
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Showtime	Die Another Day	We Hunt Together CC		★★★★ Terminator 2: Judgment Day ('91) Arnold Schwarzenegger. CC			
Starz	Spider-Man 2	★★ Bloodshot ('20, Action) Vin Diesel, Guy Pearce. (P). CC				9:52 ★★ White Chicks ('04)	
STZENC	:12 ★★ Maid in Manhattan ('02) Jennifer Lopez. CC			★★ Amelia ('09) Hilary Swank. The story of famed aviatrix Amelia Earhart. CC			
SyFy	6:30 ★★ Twister ('96) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton. CC			★★★ Rush Hour ('98, Action) Jackie Chan, Chris Tucker. CC (DVS)			
TBS	:00 ★★ Suicide Squad ('16, Action) Will Smith, Jared Leto. CC (DVS)				★★ Justice League ('17, Action) Ben Affleck. CC (DVS)		
TCM	Cincinnati Kid	★★★ The Thomas Crown Affair ('68) Steve McQueen, Faye Dunaway. CC				★★★★ The Great Escape ('63)	
TMC	Mob Town	★★ Meet the Browns ('08) Tyler Perry. CC			:45 ★★★ Good Will Hunting ('97) Matt Damon. CC		
TNT	:00 Bones	★★ Tag ('18) Ed Helms, Jon Hamm. (P). CC (DVS)					
Travel	Dead	The Dead Files		The Dead Files "Paranormal Confusion" (N)			
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	:00 NHL Hockey (Taped) CC					NHL Hockey CC	
VH1	All About	★★★ Friday ('95) Ice Cube. CC				Next Friday	
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing

Whole-body approach can help with immune boost

DEAR DOCTOR: I always seem to get sick when I start a job. Makes sense – new people, new germs. I started a job in February, then we all had to work from home. I worry that being isolated for weeks puts me back at square one. What can I do to boost my immunity in preparation for going back to the office?

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

DEAR READER: We're always happy to have this particular discussion, because the strategies and habits involved in addressing immune health also tend to lead to improved health overall. The immune system plays an important role in protecting us from all sorts of potential pathogens, and you're not alone in wondering how to give it an edge.

First, let's clarify the goal. We hear a lot about "boosting" the immune system, but that's actually misleading. You don't want an amped-up immune system. That would mean that it's hyper-alert and reacts – and overreacts – to every perceived threat. Rather, the goal is an immune system that's healthy and balanced and responds in proportion to the job at hand.

One of the most important steps you can take to keep your immune system happy and healthy involve lifestyle. That is, get an adequate amount of high-quality sleep, take part in daily exercise, don't smoke, limit alcohol use and eat a healthful diet. When you're chronically tired, depressed or anxious, overweight, eat poorly, smoke, drink too much and don't get enough exercise, you're creating internal stressors that can interfere with optimal immune system response.

Diet plays an important role in immune system health. Emerging research continues to link the health and diversity of the gut microbiome with the health and efficacy of the immune system. We urge our patients to get the necessary vitamins and minerals through food, which we believe the body utilizes more efficiently than supplements. Plenty of fresh vegetables, leafy greens and fruit are crucial to getting a range of vitamins and minerals and to keeping the billions of microorganisms that make up our gut microbiomes well-fed. So are nuts, seeds, beans and legumes. Cultured and fermented foods, such as pickles, sauerkraut, yogurt, kombucha, kefir and miso help with diversity.

We know it's a challenge, but steering clear of added sugar, sugary soft drinks and highly processed foods is also important to both gut and immune health. Recent studies have shown that regular exercise improves gut health. Sleep is also critical to health and well-being. We've had a lot of readers asking for help in this area, and we will revisit the topic in a column in the next few weeks.

We understand that, compared to the vitamins and supplements and products that promise instant immune system magic, this advice sounds pretty dull. But our bodies are intricate and interconnected mechanisms. Everything from circadian rhythms, which are affected by sleep, to the gut microbiome, which is affected by diet and exercise, to mood, which responds to all three, play a role in immune health. Focusing on a whole-body approach, with gradual but consistent changes, goes a long way toward building an immune system that's balanced and ready to work for you.

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Heartbroken that my son is no longer a baby

DEAR CAROLYN: My son just turned 1. He will probably be our only baby, although that door is not closed.

I love how much fun he is now, and certainly don't miss the sleepless nights. But I feel sad when I think about the fact he's not a "baby" anymore. I sometimes cry looking at pictures of him as a newborn – I had a rough physical recovery and was not well for a lot of that period.

Carolyn Hax

Normal? How do you make peace with parenting regrets and sadness that they are getting bigger? – Sad

SAD: How do you make peace with anything?

That sounded bleaker than intended.

You sound normal to me. Parenthood is heartbreaking. You can't be there for everything, can't give them everything, can't be everything, can't go back to anything, all while you can't get them anywhere fast enough (sleeping eight hours, potty-trained, capable of mind-wrappage around the concept of laundry hampers).

So you reconcile past and future, logic and contradictions, love and pain, pride and regret, whatever else, the way we all more or less try to: by having your sad moment, then summoning the good things and letting the demands of the moment carry you forward. Small children serve this last purpose particularly well, you may have noticed.

Meanwhile, "that door is not closed" – so you still have hormones roaming your arterial corridors like so many pro-baby lobbyists, yes? It might help to be mindful that our bodies can have their own, sometimes unwelcome agendas.

If sadness becomes a burden, then talk to your doctor. Otherwise, try reality-conscious reframing: Deep feelings are good, and tears are overflow feelings. Sometimes you just need to spill a few off.

HI, CAROLYN: Can you help me articulate the difference between a consequence and a threat? I said to my family recently about a weekly event that we all enjoy but for which I do most of the preparation: "For the last few weeks all of you have been late, and I feel like the effort I put in is unappreciated and it's disrespectful. If it happens again this week, I won't do the preparation for the following week. You'll have a week's notice and I'll help you all prepare, but I don't want to put in effort that isn't appreciated."

I was calm and logical and yet ... I was told I was threatening and choosing to interpret their lateness as a sign of disrespect when it wasn't intended that way. I know their response involved guilt – they were all on time the next week. And I understand how they could see it as a threat. So what's the difference? – Anonymous

ANONYMOUS: A threat is advance notice of the intent to punish or harm.

A consequence is the outcome of certain conditions.

You threatened a consequence. Understandably, it seems, since your family took you for granted.

I'd have advised something lighter and more concise: "Hey. I work hard at this. The least you ingrates can do is show up on time." You still could have resigned as family drudge a few weeks later if the respect levels didn't go up.

But since there are no do-overs, mine it for laughs at your own expense: "You bet it was a threat. Obey or feel my wrath."

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Goody-goody
5 Briny expanse
8 On vacation
12 Klemperer or Preminger
13 Elev.
14 Auel's "The Clan of the — Bear"
15 Hoe
16 Set ablaze
17 Jeannie portrayer
18 Look pleasant
20 Garden favorite
22 Pep
23 Sundial numeral
24 Not urban
27 Special skills
30 Sooner than
31 Belief
32 Foul ball caller
34 W-2 info
35 Out of the ordinary
37 Cashew or filbert
38 Traditional sayings
40 Pantyhose brand
42 Agent, for short
43 Yes, to Angus
44 Beneath
46 Bookish types
49 Wild plum
50 Irritate
52 Waterloo locale
54 Presently
55 TV knob
56 Holland export
57 Isn't capable
58 When Paris sizzles
59 Play boisterously

DOWN
1 Bam!
2 Road map info
3 Big-ticket —
4 Lady of Coventry
5 Oregon capital
6 New Haven student
7 Achieves
8 Acid in vinegar
9 Stay near the shore
10 Declare
11 Kyoto cash
19 Like Capp's Abner
21 Where Anna taught
24 Second notes
25 Pliny's bear
26 Cleave
27 Grade-schoolers
28 — fu
29 Gloating
33 Qt. fractions
35 Pointed arch
36 Dispossess
39 Zealous
40 Strong soap
41 Even more spooky
43 Sock part
44 Wrist-to-elbow bone
45 Lunch hour, often
47 Nonflying bird
48 Dog-paddled
49 Cul-de- —
51 Go bad
53 DJ's gear

Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	T	R	A	P			F	L	E	E	T	
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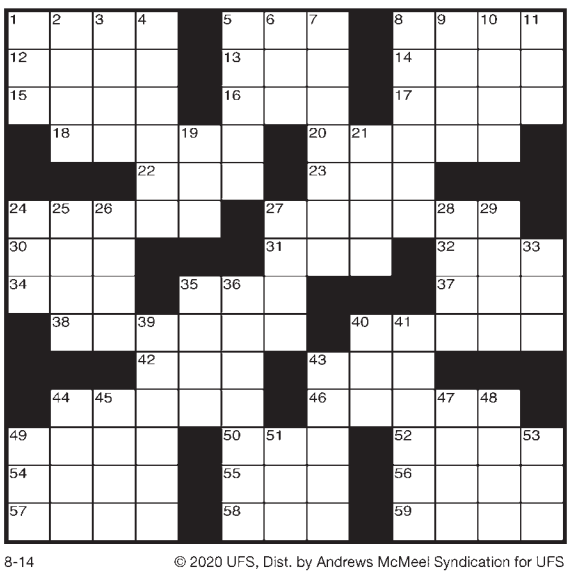

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SSLHO

NUYGO

LEDYIE

CRUACE

So, where did we leave off?
Go to where they are putting on the Sorting Hat.
WITH THE INVENTION OF THE DVD, ANY PART OF A MOVIE COULD BE ---

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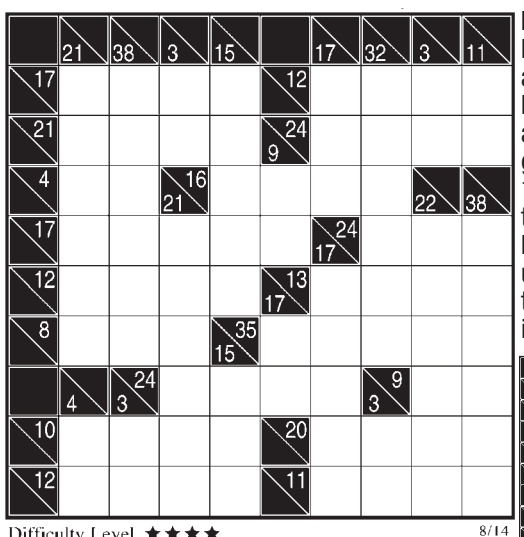
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

" " (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: HUNCH DINKY GATHER SIMILE
Answer: He saw the cat's tail and pulled it. He shouldn't have done that — IN HINDSIGHT

KAKURO



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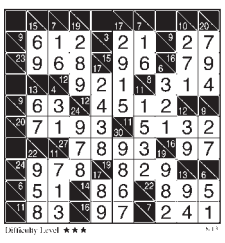
How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



Difficulty Level ★★★ 8/14

BRIDGE

Who said this? "Acting is the expression of a neurotic impulse. It's a bum's life. Quitting acting, that's the sign of maturity."

There are several signs of maturity in a bridge player. One is avoiding the impulse that befell West in this deal.

Since North couldn't respond initially, South should have passed out two spades. However, when he bid a third time, North, with three trumps, a ruffing value and an ace, was justified in jumping to game. Also, note East's one-no-trump overcall. In the balancing – or passout – position, this showed only 11-14 high-card points.

Declarer won the first trick with dummy's heart ace, played a diamond to his queen, cashed the diamond ace and led his low diamond. Greedily, West ruffed with the spade jack – and gave away the contract. Declarer trumped the next heart, ruffed a diamond in the dummy and ran the spade eight. Another trump from the dummy restricted East to his spade ace, and South lost only two spades and one club.

West should have discarded at trick four. Probably, declarer would have ruffed in the dummy, crossed to the club ace and led a fourth diamond. But now West could have gone in with his spade jack and continued with either a heart or the king and another club. As South couldn't have gotten into the dummy, East would have scored two spade tricks for down one.

The original comment was made by Marlon Brando, who obviously didn't practice what he preached.

North 08-14-20
♠ 8 7 4
♥ A 6 5 2
♦ 6 3
♣ 9 8 5 3

West
♠ J 5
♥ Q J 9 7 4
♦ 9 2
♣ K J 6 2

East
♠ A 10 2
♥ K 8 3
♦ K 8 7 4
♣ Q 10 7

South
♠ K Q 9 6 3
♥ 10
♦ A Q J 10 5
♣ A 4

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	Pass	1NT
2♦	2♥	2♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	4♠	All Pass

Opening lead: ♥ Q

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

7		8		5	2			9
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		9		7				4
1	8			4				
3			8	9		7		5

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

4	3	6	5	7	9	8	2	1
2	7	9	6	1	8	5	4	3
5	1	8	2	3	4	9	6	7
8	2	5	3	4	1	7	9	6
9	6	1	7	2	5	4	3	8
3	4	7	9	8	6	2	1	5
1	8	3	4	5	2	6	7	9
7	9	4	8	6	3	1	5	2
6	5	2	1	9	7	3	8	4

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Deadline to apply is August 28, 2020.

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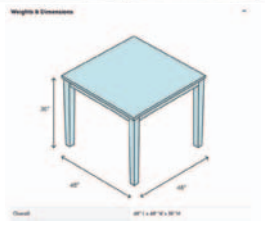

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By EUGENIA LAST

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

Make things happen. If you lack what you need to follow a dream that excites you, pick up the skills, knowledge or whatever else is required. Shoot for the stars, and see what transpires. Strive for equality in your relationships.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Converse with people who share your beliefs. If you show potential and that you are reliable, someone will offer support. Don't settle for less than what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Refuse to let your emotions take the reins. Common sense and practicality will save you from making a mistake. Let go of the past, and concentrate on making your future bright.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Make plans to do something special with someone who brings out the best in you. Taking a healthy approach to life will make you feel good. Distance yourself from negative, demanding individuals.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) Learn from observation and experience. A romantic gesture will enhance your life and encourage you to carry out a promise. Attack projects with determination and finesse.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Honesty, communication and commitment will help solve a personal problem. Compromise will bring you closer to a lifestyle that offers peace of mind, contentment and a better future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take a load off your mind by directly addressing financial or contractual matters. Lay your cards on the table, and find out where others stand on important issues.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Touch base with someone who always lifts your spirits. Dealing with children will lead to an awakening that will bring about a positive change. A discussion will bring you closer to a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Mix the old with the new. The people you associate with will affect the way your day unfolds. Avoid indulgent situations, and embrace a healthier lifestyle. Romance is favored.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Keep your emotions under control. An intelligent and practical approach to getting things done will help you reach your goal. Don't let an emotional incident ruin your day or plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Consider what will make you happy, content and ready to get on with your life. Be forgiving of others as well as yourself, and look for the good in all things. Romance is on the rise. 4 stars

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Figure out who is trustworthy and who isn't before you pick sides or get involved in a new project. If something doesn't feel right, ask questions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's OK to make a change once in a while. Stop fearing the unknown, and start discovering what life has to offer. Be imaginative, and follow your heart.

STATE OF MICHIGAN BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY CASE NO. U-20724

- Indiana Michigan Power Company requests Michigan Public Service Commission's approval to commence a renewable energy cost reconciliation proceeding for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2019.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Indiana Michigan Power Company, 2425 Meadowbrook Rd., Benton Harbor, MI 49022, 517-367-1242 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Indiana Michigan Power Company.
- A pre-hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: **Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 9:00 AM**

BEFORE: **Administrative Law Judge Kandra Robbins**

LOCATION: **Video/Teleconferencing**

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may participate. Persons needing any assistance to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090, or by email at mpscedockets@michigan.gov in advance of the hearing. Instructions regarding participation will be filed in the docket.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a pre-hearing to consider Indiana Michigan Power Company's (I&M) June 30, 2020 application requesting the Commission to approve: 1) I&M's Renewable Energy Cost (REC) Reconciliation, as consistent with the Act's requirements; 2) 324,317 RECs as I&M's 2019 Renewable Energy Credit Portfolio Standard requirement set forth in 2008 PA 295, as amended by 4 Public Act 342 of 2016, which includes an adjustment to reflect a reduction to its 2019 REC requirement by the amount of I&M's 2019 Open Access Distribution (OAD) customer MWh sales; and 3) I&M's reconciliation of Renewal Energy Plan (REP) surcharge revenues and total actual cost of compliance through December 31, 2019 resulting in a regulatory liability, including carrying charges, of $10,276,906

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by August 27, 2020. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Indiana Michigan Power Company's attorney, Richard J. Aaron, 201 Townsend St., Ste. 900, Lansing, MI 48933.

The prehearing is currently scheduled to be held remotely by video conference or teleconference. Persons filing a petition to intervene will be advised of the process to participate in the hearing. However, the Commission will continue to evaluate whether the prehearing can be safely converted to an in-person hearing. Thus, all interested persons should monitor this docket prior to the prehearing for any potential changes to the format of the prehearing.

Any person wishing to participate without intervention under Mich Admin Code, R 792.10413 (Rule 413), or file a public comment, may do so by filing a written statement in this docket. The written statement may be mailed or emailed and should reference Case No. U-20724. Statements may be emailed to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. Statements may be mailed to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, 7109 West Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules R 792.10422 and R 792.10432. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 284-8130.

A copy of Indiana Michigan Power Company's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the office of Indiana Michigan Power Company. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6j et seq.; 2008 PA 295, MCL 460.1001 et seq.; and Parts 1 & 4 of the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, Mich. Admin Code, R 792.10106 and R 792.10401 through R 792.10448.

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OBITUARIES

Felix L. Leonarduzzi

Oct. 2, 1931 – Aug. 9, 2020

Felix L. Leonarduzzi, 88, of Iron River, Mich., passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, Aug. 9, 2020.

He was born Oct. 2, 1931, in Elmwood Park, Ill., the son of the late Felice and Angelica (Tonello) Leonarduzzi, who originated from Udine, Italy. He attended St. Williams Catholic School and graduated from Lane Tech in 1950, in Chicago. After high school, the family moved to Benton Harbor, where they purchased a farm and had a large grape vineyard. In 1954 he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged in 1956. He was stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., for six months, then spent 18 months in France. While stationed there he traveled to many countries in Europe, visiting several relatives. After the service he attended Western Michigan University, graduating with a mechanical engineering degree.

Felix married Margaret Ann "Muggs" Schreiber on Oct. 26, 1957, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in St. Joseph. The couple celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary in 2019. They had four children.

He was employed at Motorola in Schaumburg, Ill., for several years, then VM Voice of Music in Benton Harbor. While employed at LECO Corporation in St. Joseph, he invented a pivot assembly which received a U.S. patent. He was also employed at Coleman Products, and then at Lakeshore in Iron River. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). He was always continuing his education and received a certificate for participating in the supervisory development program from the University of Notre Dame. The family vacationed many years in the Upper Peninsula, Felix loved the area and made it their home in 1976. In his younger days, he was involved in car racing and spent much of his time fixing up cars. Another big accomplishment in Felix's life was when he built their first beautiful home in Schaumburg. Felix enjoyed camping, the outdoors, spending time at Basswood, and also feeding his animal friends. He enjoyed traveling to Italy, South Africa, and India, where he made many friends.

Felix was a kind and generous man to all who will be greatly missed by his wife, Margaret; daughter, Marsha Leonarduzzi-Linthicum of Iron River; sons: Greg (Stacy) Leonarduzzi of Iron River, Larry (Tracy) Leonarduzzi of Gaastra, Mich., and Ken Leonarduzzi of Iron River; grandchildren: Anthony (Breanna) Leonarduzzi of Snoqualmie, Wash., Devin (Vienna) Leonarduzzi of Hancock, Mich., Collin Leonarduzzi, Marissa Linthicum, and Teagan Leonarduzzi, all of Iron River; sister, Lida Leonarduzzi of Benton Harbor; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his sister, Lillian Bagge.

Private services will be held. The family requests in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Felix's memory to the Northwoods Animal Shelter, 930 Selden Rd, Iron River, MI 49935. Condolences may be expressed to the family of Felix L. Leonarduzzi online at www.jacobsfuneralhomeir.com. Funeral arrangements by the Jacobs Funeral Home of Iron River.

Thomas VanNiel

Dec. 10, 1940 – July 29, 2020

Tom's life began Dec. 10, 1940, in Lorain, Ohio. As a young adult a new job brought him to Southwest Michigan where he made Watervliet his home. Tom worked as a plumber until his retirement from LECO Corp. He loved his community of Watervliet. Tom was a permanent fixture at Hays Park for many years, where he was either coaching or watching his children and grandchildren playing baseball and softball. If he wasn't at Hays Park you could find him catching a game in Panther Stadium or somewhere on Panther Grounds. Tom was a giver; he donated to anyone or any organization he could find to help from the random person on the street to Post Prom, recreational sports, or even the Miss Watervliet Organization, just to name a few.

Tom's greatest joy came in spending time with his family, which includes four sons: Tommy (Joyce) VanNiel, Randy (Pam) VanNiel, Ryan (Jen) VanNiel, and Cory (Gloria) VanNiel; eight grandchildren: Justin, Taylor, Blake, Kade, Tanner, Sophia, Karol, and Sophia; and close friends who were always checking on him: Michell Edmonds and Rex and Raelene Stickney.

Tom died Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at home. His brother George VanNiel precedes Tom in death. Hutchins Funeral Home is assisting Tom's family with cremation. You may visit with Tom's family from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, at Hutchins Funeral Home in Watervliet. Memorials may be made in Tom's name to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan. You are invited to leave a message of comfort for Tom's family at hutchins funeral.com.

Michael Simpson, Jr.

Jan. 1, 1971 – Aug. 10, 2020

Michael Simpson Jr. died Monday, Aug. 10, 2020, at his home in Kalamazoo.

He was born Jan. 1, 1971, in Niles to Michael Simpson Sr. and Kathleen Hinkle (Dospoy). He attended Berrien Springs High School and graduated with honors in 1989. He worked locally as a tool and die mold maker and enjoyed his profession.

Mike had a strong compassion for animals and spent a lot of time helping out at the Kalamazoo ASPCA. He enjoyed fishing and watching movies, especially ones starring "The Duke." Mike had a warm heart, and his sense of humor and laughter will be dearly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Kimberly; daughters: Marissa, Chloe, and Lena; son, Max; granddaughters: Marley and Azhenis; his brother, Jeremy (Alicia) Kring; stepsons: Ian and Arie; and stepbrother, Dennis Simpson.

He was preceded in death by his mother and his father.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at Rose Hill Cemetery in Berrien Springs. Messages and memories may be shared online at www.allredfuneralhome.com.

Charles John Kotaska Jr.

June 25, 1948 – Aug 11, 2020

Charles John Kotaska Jr., 72, of LaPorte, formerly of New Buffalo passed away peacefully Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2020, at Golden LivingCenter-Fountainview Terrace, LaPorte.

A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at Boyd Chapel of Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, 9191 Red Arrow Highway, Bridgman, with Reverend Father John Peter Ambrose officiating. Friends may meet with the family from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery. Memorials can be given to Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 293, New Buffalo, MI 49117. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com

Charles was born Friday, June 25, 1948, in Three Oaks, the son of the late Charles John and Frances Ann (Tucek) Kotaska Sr. Charles was raised on a farm in Three Oaks. He worked at Schrader's Supermarket in Three Oaks, Bethlehem Steel and Westville Correctional Facility. He served two years in the U. S. Army, and one year in Vietnam. Charles loved watching sports and playing cards with his family and listening to music. Charles belonged to the Knights of Columbus, St. Mary of the Lake and was a third degree member.

Survivors include his three sons: Joe Kotaska, David (Shelly) Kotaska and Scott Kotaska; stepchildren: Raymond, Ryan Spencer, Jeanette Ibrahim and Francis Banas; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Charles was preceded in death by his father, mother and sister, Marie Hughes.

James M. Ray

March 2, 1942 – Aug. 7, 2020

James M. Ray, 78, of Bridgman passed away Aug. 7, 2020, at the Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Judith (Hathaway) of Lansing, Ill.; brother, Joseph Ray of Wisconsin; daughter, Dawn Karshner of Indiana; daughter, Laura Ray of Lexington, Ky.; son, James Antonelli Ray (Emily) of Groton Mass.; son, Brian Hathaway Ray (Natalie) of Pasadena, Calif.; grandchildren: Olivia, Jack, Maura and Miranda; and various nieces and nephews and his beloved dog, Bella.

James was born March 2, 1942, to Jola Brown Ray and Melbourne Ray of Kansas City, Mo. After an early childhood in Kansas City, the family moved to Morton, Ill., where Jim was active in the Boy Scouts of America and attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Later, the family moved to Hobart, Ind., where Jim graduated from Hobart High School and then attended Indiana University.

Jim often said he had been in the trucking business for 62 years because he started out working for his father, Mel Ray, as a dock hand at an early age. He later became a legend in the trucking industry, specializing in truckload steel and equipment hauling mainly in the greater Calumet area of Illinois and Indiana. He was active for many years in the Calumet Traffic Club and the South Suburban Traffic Club and owned trucking companies such as Carriers Inc, City Xpress, and Universal Trucking, and operated many others. In later years he owned RayTrans Management, a logistics company based in Pittsburgh.

In 1973, Jim took up flying and earned his single-engine, multi-engine and instrument ratings and owned several airplanes. He also took up the art of fly fishing and liked nothing more than wading in a cold stream and hooking on to a big trout and then letting it go. He and his wife, Judith, enjoyed traveling within the United States and abroad.

Jim's effusive personality and sense of humor made him a great favorite among his family and friends. No one stayed a stranger for long after encountering his warm, gregarious and caring personality. He kindness was well-known to those who he mentored, gave a start or a second start, or engineered a career boost. He loved his family with all his heart.

Due to the restrictions imposed by COVID-19, a memorial service honoring Jim's memory will be held in a time and place yet to be determined. Gifts in his honor can be sent to the Caring Circle of Lakeland (Hospice at Home), 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph MI 49085.

Death Notices

Margarete Hahn, 82, of St. Joseph died Aug. 10, 2020, at home. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Charles John Kotaska Jr., 72, of LaPorte, formerly of New Buffalo died Aug. 11, 2020, at Golden LivingCenter-Fountainview Terrace, LaPorte. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

Felix L. Leonarduzzi, 88, of Iron River, Mich., died Aug. 9, 2020. Jacobs Funeral Home, Iron RIver, Mich.

Hedwig (Hedy) Anneliese Liebich, 99, of St. Joseph died Aug. 4, 2020, at Pine Ridge Nursing Home, Stevensville. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

James M. Ray, 78, of Bridgman died Aug. 7, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Michael Simpson Jr., of Kalamazoo died Monday, Aug. 10, 2020, at his home in Kalamazoo. Allred Funeral Home, Berrien Springs, 471-3729.

Thomas VanNiel, 79, of Watervliet died July 29, 2020, at home. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

PRODUCE PRICES

The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Wednesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.

APPLES: Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold steady from mostly $23-24, Golden Delicious sold from $26-29, Fuji sold for $24-24.50 with fine appearance mostly $31-32, Pink Lady brought $35, Gala fine appearance offerings sold from mostly $39-40, and 72 size Honeycrisp of fine appearance offerings brought $54. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold from $23-24, while Golden Delicious brought $21-22, and Gala sold from mostly $22-23.

ASPARAGUS: 11-pound cartons/crates bunched from Peru standard size sold higher for $29, with large white offerings sold for $29.50.

BEANS: Bushel cartons/crates of round green type hand-picked offerings from Michigan sold lower for $24.

BERRIES: Flats of 12 1-pint cups with lids of medium-large size from British Columbia and Michigan sold lower for $20. Organic offerings from California sold steady for $24.50. Strawberries in flats of 12 1-pound containers small-medium size from California sold for $24-26, while organic offerings brought $28.

BROCCOLI: Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold steady from mostly $13-15, with organic offerings sold steady for $18.50.

CABBAGE: 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Michigan sold steady for $15, with green offerings from Illinois $13.50 with red type mostly $17-19.

CAULIFLOWER: Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold lower from $12-14, with organic offerings higher for $20.

CANTALOUPE: 24-inch bins of Michigan Athena type 70s sold for $150, while 90s brought $160.

CHERRIES: 18-pound cartons of bagged dark red sweet varieties from Washington of 9 1/2 row size sold from $70-74.

CORN: Wire-bound crates of 4 dozen bi-color and yellow from Michigan sold from mostly $13-14.

CUCUMBERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold steady from $24-26, while medium offerings from Michigan brought $15-16 and selects brought $10-12, with carton 24s brought $8.50-9. Pickles of 200-300 size from Michigan sold for $26-27.50.

EGGPLANT: 1 1/9-bushel cartons of medium size from New Jersey sold lower from $18-20, with offerings from North Carolina $18.

LETTUCE: Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold lower from $22-24, with organic offerings higher for $30.

ORANGES: Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of California 72 size valencia juice oranges sold from $30-32.50.

PEACHES: 25-pound cartons loose various yellow flesh varieties from California of 60 size sold steady for $24, with white flesh offerings of 42 size sold higher for $30.

PEPPERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of Michigan green jumbo sold lower from $9-11, extra-large size sold steady for mostly $13-14, with choppers lower from $10-12. Extra-large size jalapeno peppers from North Carolina sold steady from $20-22, while hungarian wax sold lower from $27-28, and large size Long hots sold for $20. Extra-large serranos from Michigan sold for $23, while medium size anaheims sold for mostly $21-23.

PRUNES: 28-pound cartons of Early Italian of 1-1/4 inch min. size from Washington brought $36.

SQUASH: 1/2-bushel cartons of small-medium zucchini from Ohio sold for $16.50, with medium size $14, while yellow straightneck small-medium brought $17, and offerings from Michigan $14. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Michigan of large size acorn sold lower for $25, while medium butternut brought $25, and small spaghetti sold for $28.50.

TOMATOES: 25-pound cartons loose vine-ripe offerings from Mexico of 5x6 size sold from mostly $21-22, with cartons 2-layer offerings of vine ripes of 4x5 size brought $20-22. 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large offerings of mature greens from Alabama sold steady from $20-22. Flats 12 1-pint containers with lids of light red-red medium size grape tomatoes from Mexico sold steady from $16-18. Cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type light red-red from Mexico sold for mostly $15-17. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold from $18-19, with large size $16-17.

WATERMELONS: 24-inch bins of Michigan red flesh seeded type 35s sold for $200, while red flesh seedless type 45-60s brought $220.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

ST. JOSEPH — The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Abbey Rebecca Ankli and Thomas Christopher Oldham, both of Benton Harbor.

Jennifer Susanne Forney of Berwyn Ill., and Edward Thomas Pinter of La Grange Park, Ill.

Allyson Elaine Marsh and Thomas John Casper both of Coloma.

Teona Latice Mendenhall and Anthony Dwayne Duckett Jr., both of Benton Harbor.

Kimberly Carol Kholiwe Ndlovu and Mike Harry-Anzathu Mtike, both of Berrien Springs.

Samantha Marie Peters of Stevensville and Christopher Stephen Baird of Baroda.

Michelle Frances Quigley of Berrien Springs and Anthony James Berrios of South Bend, Ind.

Samantha Jo Wegrecki and William Noah Hall, both of Niles.

Lauren Nicole Weisner of Woodridge Ill., and Robert Joseph Heine of St. Joseph.

Getting it straight

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

The Lakeshore Board of Education Saturday voted to hire Bridgman Superintendent Thomas Smusz as principal of Roosevelt Elementary School. Smusz, 52, replaces Lawrence Lloyd, who resigned earlier this year to become superintendent of Fulton Schools north of St. Johns. Smusz, who was chosen from about 25 candidates, will be paid $55,000 a year, according to Lakeshore Superintendent Gary Campbell.

1985 – 35 years ago

The St. Joseph Township Planning Commission last night heard the owners of the Burger King Restaurant at 2051 S. Washington Ave. plan to purchase the Bac-N-Eggs restaurant at 2020 S. Washington Ave. – just north of Burger King – and demolish it for additional parking space. The planners voted unanimously to approve a site plan for the project.

Burger King intends to landscape the lot, build new curbs and gutters, and build a new trash enclosure, said Jim Fitzpatrick, one of the owners of Burger Services which operates the Burger King Restaurant in St. Joseph Township. The new parking lot would have an entrance off Washington Avenue but none off Niles Avenue.

1970 – 50 years ago

Some 40 youngsters raised $268.15 in door-to-door solicitations in the Benton Harbor area toward improving a city-township park named after the late Benton Harbor mortician, G. Earl Robbins.

Oranaul Shurn, president of the Community Businessmen's Association, reported 14 of the 40 were from Tri-CAP and the balance from community education summer programs. He thanked both the volunteers and donors and said the CBA plans more fundraising efforts. A total of $5,000 to $6,000 will be needed besides donated labor and material to add restrooms, fencing and other improvements at the park on Fair Ave. in Benton Harbor.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, Aug. 14, the 227th day of 2020. There are 139 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On August 14, 1997, an unrepentant Timothy McVeigh was formally sentenced to death for the Oklahoma City bombing. (McVeigh was executed by lethal injection in 2001.)

On this date:

In 1900, international forces, including U.S. Marines, entered Beijing to put down the Boxer Rebellion, which was aimed at purging China of foreign influence.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act into law.

In 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill issued the Atlantic Charter, a statement of principles that renounced aggression.

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman announced that Imperial Japan had surrendered unconditionally, ending World War II.

In 1948, the Summer Olympics in London ended; they were the first Olympic games held since 1936.

In 1973, U.S. bombing of Cambodia came to a halt.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Sunny
85°	66°	83° / 67°	79° / 64°	76° / 58°	74° / 57°

Local Outlook

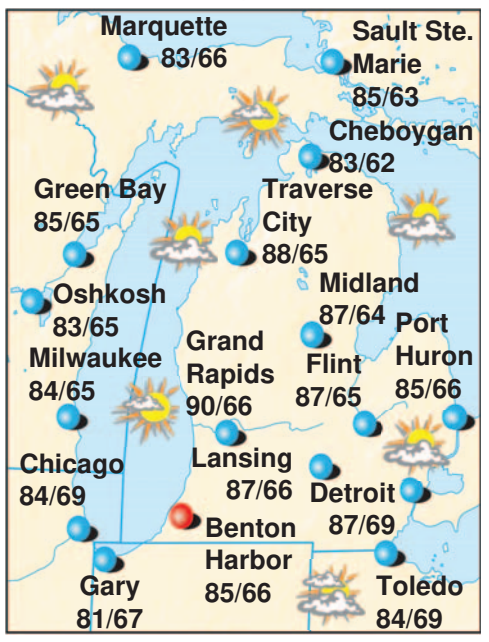
Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 85°, humidity of 53%. Northeast wind 7 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 66°. East wind 2 to 6 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	6:52 a.m.
Sunset	8:46 p.m.
Moonrise	2:05 a.m.
Moonset	5:38 p.m.

New	First	Full	Last
8/18	8/25	9/2	9/10

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	85°
Low	62°
Normal High	81°
Normal Low	61°
Record High	90° in 2010
Record Low	50° in 2006

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	1.29"
Normal for month	1.72"
Year to date	25.74"
Normal Year to date	22.95"

Air Quality

Yesterday 53

Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

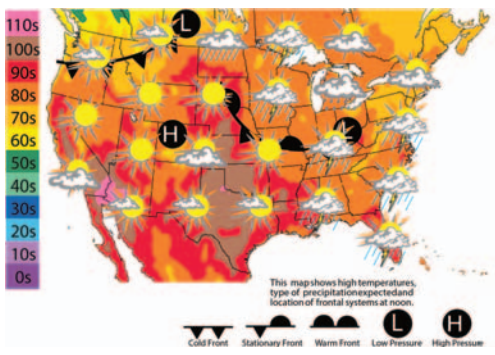
Weather Trivia

When did the National Weather Service begin?

Answer: Feb. 7, 1870 with President Ulysses S. Grant.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Aug. 14, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, Variable winds less than 5 kt. Waves around 1 ft. Water temperature 75 degrees. Tonight, ESE wind 5 to 8 kt. Partly cloudy. Waves around 1 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be partly cloudy with highs in the 80s. East wind 2 to 14 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Saturday with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highs in the 80s. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be partly cloudy to mostly cloudy with highs in the 80s and 90s. Northeast wind 7 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Saturday with isolated thunderstorms, highs in the 80s. South southwest wind 2 to 5 mph.

Attacks, pandemic a 'gut punch' for famed Chicago district

By MICHAEL TARM
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Neil Mehra's cigar shop just off Chicago's Michigan Avenue wouldn't normally share much in common with big brand-name stores such as Tiffany's and Saks Fifth Avenue, whose boutiques sit on the choicest spots on the city's most iconic street.

But this week they share foreboding over whether the economics and reputation of one of America's most prestigious shopping districts can rebound from damage done by hours of looting Monday in and around the mile-long strip known as the Magnificent Mile.

Mehra's Hubbard & State Cigar Shop was hit by similar smash-and-grab attacks in late May, when some took advantage of protests over the death of George Floyd in police custody in Minneapolis to break into stores. Monday's looting came as businesses had begun reopening amid pandemic-related disruptions.

By the time Mehra rushed to his store Monday, nearly everything of value was gone, with rows of shelves stripped clean of high-end cigars worth up to $800 a box. Stepping through the rubble, he realized the thieves even made off with his safe and the $5,000 in it. He estimated his losses this time at more than $75,000.

"I almost cried," said Mehra, sitting in a chair at his store under a framed photo of Chicago Bulls great Michael Jordan, a cigar aficionado. "This is my life. I really don't know if we're going to survive this."

The overall damage to the district this week is likely to run into the millions of dollars.

Michael Edwards, president of one the city's largest business associations, the Chicago Loop Alliance, said the latest looting struck at the already tenuous morale of businesses on the Mag Mile and all across downtown.

"It's been a psychological gut punch," he said.

Smaller shops like Mehra's one-employee tobacco shop that he started 19 years ago don't have the access to capital of bigger businesses. But the double whammy of looting and the pandemic have hurt them, too.

AUCTION

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Madison Heights and Livonia are also being sold off in Michigan.

The Benton Township location is the largest among the restaurants up for sale, as the building is 7,041 square feet. The property includes 1.45 acres in the sale.

"Real estate investors and restaurants looking to expand their portfolio are in a position to take advantage of this opportunity, whether they decide to take the entire lot of locations, or explore individual or regional purchases," said Harold Bordwin, principal and managing director at Keen-Summit Capital Partners LLC. "Many of these locations are virtually turn-key with much of the restaurant equipment available within the building."

The Steak 'n Shake website still lists the Benton Township location as temporarily closed, though the building has been empty since April 2019. With no notice or timeline regarding when it might reopen, customers were greeted to signs announcing the closure.

The original closure came as the restaurant's parent company, Biglari Holdings, planned to close down corporate-owned restaurants and attempt to reopen them as franchises.

Township Building Inspector Chris Fuchs said the township has kept an eye on the Steak 'n Shake since it closed.

"We were really hoping it would sell to a local franchisee and reopen," Fuchs said. "We're disappointed to see it go. With all the retail establishments suffering, we're encouraging everyone to support local businesses as much as we can."

In August 2018, the company announced plans to sell its more than 400 company-owned locations for $10,000 each. There is little to suggest that the properties that do sell will remain Steak 'n Shakes, as the 15 restaurants are among the 31 that closed last year and did not find franchisees.

Those interested in more information on the auctions or to place a bid can visit steaknshakeproperty auction.com.

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NOBO

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commissioners have already approved three medical marijuana licenses for NOBO Michigan – two for Class C growers and one for a processing center. The company can grow up to 1,500 marijuana plants for each Class C growers license.

Commissioners are in the process of approving ordinances for recreational marijuana. Stohler said that if NOBO is able to obtain more grow licenses for recreational use, then more people can be hired. He said the company has been pre-approved by the state for both medical and recreational marijuana facilities.

"If we get an adult use license in the near future, we should have 45 workers employed in this facility in the next eight months," he said. "We really want to hire people from Benton Harbor. We're totally about social equity. If you had a canna-

Louise Wrege / HP staff

NOBO Michigan is opening a high tech medical marijuana facility in Benton Harbor, using the automated Rhythm Batch Series, which injects fertilizer into the water for the plants.

bis-related issue in the past, don't be afraid to apply."

Job openings can be found at nobogoods.com/jobs.

Stohler said that recreational and medical marijuana will be treated the same to keep quality high.

"There is no difference within this facility between medical and recreational with the exception in the way the plants are tagged," he said.

More than 100 security cameras are in and around the building.

"There are no blind spots on-site," he said.

Lange Investigation and Consulting Service has been hired to handle security, he said.

Stohler said NOBO Michigan also has provisioning center licenses to sell medical and recreational marijuana in Edwardsburg and Muskegon Township, where the company is in the process of building the facilities. The company also has a medical marijuana provisioning center license to sell the product in Battle Creek and expects to have an adult use license within the next 60 days.

He said the company would like to obtain a provisioning center license for medical marijuana in Benton Harbor.

NOBO has started the process of buying the former Harbor Lights Metals property for $450,000 in 2018. The property was owned by Berrien County after it was foreclosed on by the Berrien County treasurer's office due to nonpayment of property taxes three years in a row.

The company is starting its operations in the 33,000-square-foot former maintenance building and has ample room to expand the business on the 11-acre site.

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funded by Google parent Alphabet Inc., which hopes to make money by duplicating the technology for other large metro areas.

The project is being led by a company called Cavnue, which will start the study by running autonomous vehicles with human backup drivers along I-94 and U.S. 12 to collect data.

Jonathan Winer, co-CEO of an Alphabet-funded company called Sidewalk Infrastructure Partners, which owns Cavnue, said at first self-driving buses would use the lanes, which would be similar to dedicated rapid transit lanes in other cities. Eventually, smaller shuttles would be added, as well as autonomous freight trucks and even qualified automated personal vehicles.

The vehicles would all be linked to a central computer system and would share data from sensors along the roadway and from other vehicles, coordinating their speeds and allowing them to travel faster than regular traffic, Winer said.

The project could start off running buses in regular traffic, but eventually they'll be on lanes separated from human-driven vehicles by a barrier, Winer said.

"For the full-scale implementation, which is enhanced public transit and greater speed, we'll need the barrier," Winer said in an interview.

Chinese media have reported on a similar project on a new freeway in China, and others have proposed similar ventures in the U.S., but Winer said the Michigan project would be a first.

"There's no place in the world more important for transportation's past, present and future than Detroit and Michigan," said Ford Executive Chairman Bill Ford. "Today's announcement is proof that we don't plan to cede that future to anyone else."

The lanes would be helpful for the current state of autonomous vehicles, which still cannot operate safely with human-driven vehicles under all traffic and weather conditions, said Bryant Walker Smith, a University of South Carolina law professor who studies vehicle automation.

But they also run contrary to another school of thought in the industry, that systems being tested are getting better and soon will be able to navigate roads with cars driven by humans, he said.

"The tension is one side is saying 'if we build it they will come,' and the other side is saying 'we're coming. Why are you building?'" Walker Smith said.

Tech and auto companies that favor running the vehicles with normal traffic seem to be winning, Walker Smith said, although that has eased as expectations for autonomous vehicles have become more realistic. The whole industry slowed down after an Uber autonomous testing vehicle ran down and killed a woman in Tempe, Arizona, in March of 2018.

"A lot of companies are not yet confident that their systems would be able to perform under a wide range of unpredictable conditions," he said.

"You probably need to have dedicated lanes," said Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan.

Vehicles and autonomous driving systems used by all companies would be able to use the lanes, provided they meet standards, Winer said. The lanes would be run by the Michigan Department of Transportation, he said.

The state picked Cavnue after putting out a request for proposals. Winer said it will finance the project with private money because it could sell the technology to other cities. It would be the start-up's first project.

"We think there's a very, very large market here if this technology is effective," he said.

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